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# Show us the money: TTC

**Waterfront Toronto challenged to indicate if it has funding to redevelop Queen's Quay ◐ Decaying light rail tracks need repairs**

The Toronto Transit Commission has sent a "show-us-the-money" ultimatum to the agency charged with bringing the lakefront to life.

The light rail tracks on Queen's Quay West are deteriorating, the TTC says. Repairs must begin next summer, and the TTC is ready to spend $5.3 million to complete the job.

The question is: Should the TTC simply repair the tracks, which occupy its own dedicated lane, or rebuild slightly to the south based on Waterfront Toronto's vision for a revitalized Queen's Quay? Put another way: Does Waterfront Toronto have the funding approvals necessary to proceed with its Queen's Quay plans or not?

The TTC doesn't want to rebuild its tracks between Spadina Avenue and Bay Street twice.

"We need to know by the end of June," TTC spokesperson Brad Ross said this week.

**$80M**
**The estimated cost to reconfigure Queen's Quay to include a broad, tree-lined pedestrian promenade along the waterfront.**

Reconfiguring Queen's Quay to include a broad, tree-lined pedestrian promenade along the waterfront will cost an estimated $80 million, not counting the $5.3 million needed for track renewal, a TTC staff report says. Of that, Waterfront Toronto has approvals for $48 million. Can the agency make up the shortfall?

It could, said Waterfront Toronto vice-president Marisa Piattelli, if city officials reallocated some money assigned to lakefront redevelopment south of Sherbourne Street.

"Everyone wants to see this happen," Piattelli said of the Central Waterfront Revitalization project. "This is the transformational move that takes Queen's Quay from what it is — a dysfunctional, ugly street — and turns it into what we think will be one of the most beautiful streets in Canada."

The Pan American Games coming to Toronto in 2015 also make the project a priority, Piattelli said.

Asked whether the TTC will get its answer by the end of the month, the vice-president said only: "The TTC knows ... what the administrative procedures are at city hall that allow these kinds of reallocations to happen. I think with goodwill we can all work towards the goal to deliver this project."

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**Freedom**

▶ Tammy Marquardt holds a photo of her son yesterday while showing off her "freedom" tattoo in Oshawa.

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## Wrongly convicted mom free

**Tammy Marquardt, convicted of second-degree murder partly due to the testimony of a disgraced pathologist, won't have to face a new trial. The Crown has withdrawn the charge against Marquardt, who spent 14 years in prison after she was convicted in the 1995 death of her two-year-old son.** **Story, page 3.**

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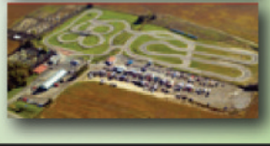

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# GO chief predicts multi-use transit smartcard

Commuters will eventually be able to pay for coffee and parking with the same Presto smartcard they use to pay their bus fares, the president of GO Transit predicts.

"Once we've got the transit system stabilized, the fringe group around the transit users will say, 'Is there a way I can tap into this?' That will start to generate itself as a business opportunity, especially as Union Station starts to come on stream with all its retail opportunities," Gary McNeil said following a speech at the Toronto Board of Trade yesterday.

Presto's presence on regional transit will leap forward if the TTC officially adopts the green smartcards today, as expected.

The move will make the card far more ubiquitous, since 85 per cent of area commuters include the TTC in their trips. The province decided to develop Presto, at a cost of $250 million, to make it easy to use multiple transit systems using a single fare card.

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▶ Gary McNeil

# Mom's murder charge dropped

## Disgraced pathologist testified in woman's case that her young son was strangled or suffocated

Shortly after Tammy Marquardt was sent to prison in 1995 in the death of her two-year-old son, she had the word "freedom" tattooed on her arm.

But it wasn't until yesterday that she could truly say she was free.

The Court of Appeal for Ontario quashed Marquardt's second-degree murder conviction earlier this year, calling her a victim of a miscarriage of justice and ordering a new trial. But rather than proceed with a new trial yesterday, the Crown withdrew the charge because of how much time had passed and the "flawed" evidence of the now notorious former pathologist Charles Smith.

Ontario Superior Court Judge Michael Brown said it's tragic that it took so long to uncover Smith's mistakes and conveyed to her his "deepest regret."

**"Honestly, I never thought I would see this day. I thought, 'There is no justice.'"**
**TAMMY MARQUARDT**

"You're free to go, ma'am," he said.

Marquardt placed her hand on her chest as she appeared to struggle to catch her breath, hugged her lawyer and moments later walked outside the courthouse clutching a picture of her son Kenneth.

Other experts have concluded Kenneth's cause of death could not be determined, though there is strong evidence the boy was epileptic and could have died from a seizure.

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▶ Tammy Marquardt, left, leaves the Oshawa courthouse with friends and supporters after her second-degree murder charge was withdrawn yesterday morning. Marquardt spent more than 13 years in prison after faulty testimony from disgraced pathologist Charles Smith led to a conviction in the death of her two-year-old son, Kenneth Wynne.

# Many minorities own restrictive taxi plates: Official

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▶ Asafo Addai is a Toronto cabbie taking the city to the Human Rights Tribunal.

Cabbie IDs reveal that more visible minorities own restrictive ambassador licence plates than the lucrative standard licences.

The vice-chair of the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario says she found a "preponderance of racialized men" after reviewing the photo ID of ambassador plate holders.

Leslie Reaume said her preliminary analysis of thousands of photos and names of taxi licensees may support the charge of a discriminatory two-tiered system.

Driver Asafo Addai has argued in a case now before the tribunal that the more lucrative standard plates, which can be used around the clock by shift drivers, are mainly owned by Caucasians. Meanwhile, he says the restrictive ambassador plates can only be used for a maximum of 12 hours a day by a single owner — the bulk either a visible minority or a newcomer.

The ambassador plate — the only type the city now issues — was introduced to create more owner-drivers.

City of Toronto lawyer Antonella Ceddia questioned yesterday whether race could be determined through an analysis of photos and names. She argued the methodology was too simplistic.

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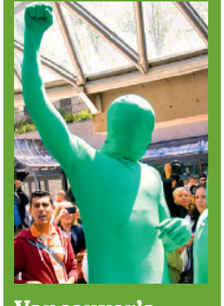

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# GTA daycare caterer shuts down

## Whole Green Kids has moved from restaurant to restaurant after being locked out for not paying rent

A Toronto caterer that provided more than one million meals to daycares across the province has shut down in the wake of a Toronto Star investigation showing the fly-by-night operation might be endangering children's lives.

Whole Green Kids, which at one time fed some 75 pre-school childcare and Montessori schools in the GTA and Ottawa, was providing undercooked meals, and passing off no-name foods purchased at discount grocers as premium, organic, halal and kosher, the Star found.

Owner Susan Blouin acknowledged her company was a mess and in an interview blamed a mutinous staff for trying to ruin her by undercooking food and sprinkling allergy-triggering peanut products in the kitchen area.

"This could be considered very serious if any children got sick and, hopefully, would not die," Blouin said in a letter to the Star.

Public health departments in Toronto, York Region and Durham Region went into high alert and shared information with each other, including intercepting deliveries to two daycare schools in Whitby. The food was destroyed after inspectors found it was not transported at the right temperatures. The daycares have cancelled their contracts.

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### Testimonies

- One former employee said he balked at having to paste phoney stickers on packages falsely attesting the food was kosher and halal.
- Another former employee, a cook, remembered removing wrappers from fruit bars purchased at no-name outlets, and repackaging them with green bows to give them the "organic look."

FACEBOOK

▶ Susan Blouin and her husband, Gregory Blouin, also known as Susan and Gregory Hebert. He is a former Canadian soldier and she ran a company called Whole Green Kids, which has been shut down. The business catered meals to daycares and Montessori schools across the GTA and Ottawa.

# Killing land transfer tax not feasible, budget chair says

Toronto can't afford to scrap the land transfer tax, says Coun. Mike Del Grande, the budget chair.

While Mayor Rob Ford promised to get rid of the tax on real estate sales — targeting its removal by the end of 2011 — that timetable is not realistic, Del Grande said yesterday.

The tax, which brought in $274 million in 2010, is needed to fill the initial $774-million hole in next year's operating budget, he said, stressing the city needs every dollar.

"I personally don't think it's practical (to scrap the tax) this year," Del Grande said. "That's my best recommendation to the administration."

The budget chair was responding to claims by Coun. Gord Perks, a stalwart in the former David Miller administration, that Ford is exaggerating the city's financial problems.

Perks pointed to a staff report presented yesterday that revealed there's an extra $88 million left over from last year. He said that money, plus a modest increase in 2012 property taxes, TTC fares and other user fees would cut the hole in half.

"Mayor Ford has been trying to scare people into being willing to cut services they count on," he said. "We don't need to throw out any major services."

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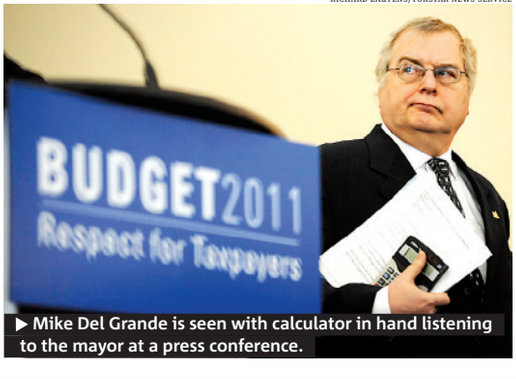


▶ Mike Del Grande is seen with calculator in hand listening to the mayor at a press conference.

### City debt

- **Coun. Mike Del Grande** noted the city's net debt is currently $2.5 billion and is projected to grow to $4.3 billion by the end of 2014.
- **Principal and interest payments** on the debt are running at $450 million — making it the third biggest expense for the taxpayer behind the cost of police and subsidizing transit.

# Legal sector needs more diversity: Study

Julia Shin Doi was called to the Ontario Bar in 1994.

The corporate lawyer for York University is also part of an underrepresented group in Greater Toronto's legal sector, according to a new study by Ryerson University's Diversity Institute, released yesterday.

Shin Doi, daughter of Korean immigrants, is one of 2,700, or just 14.4 per cent, of 19,135 practising lawyers in the GTA who happen to be from visible minorities.

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### Not proportional

- The DiverseCity Counts report says 49.5 per cent of the region's population is visible minorities

# Man found dead in Mississauga

A 32-year-old man died last night after apparently being shot outside an apartment building on Rexwood Road in Mississauga night, police say.

A cause of death has not been determined, but Peel police Const. Adam Minnion told CP24 it appears the victim died as a result of gunshot wounds.

As of last night, police had received only "very vague" descriptions of a suspect and a vehicle the suspect may have been driving, Minnion said.

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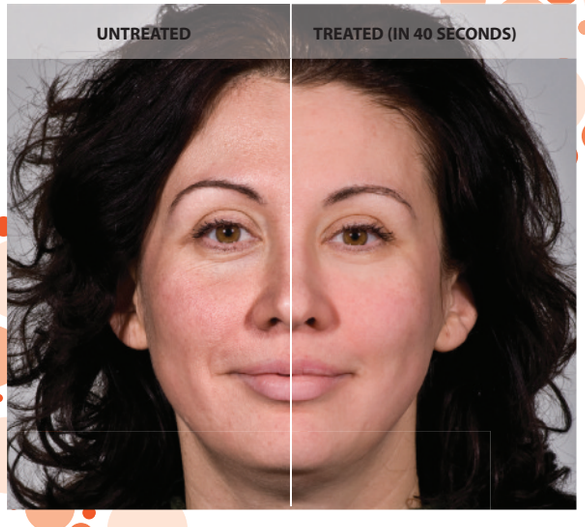

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# Students rally round the flag

## Gay symbol spurs tension between students, officials School denies banning rainbow banner

HANDOUT

▶ A rainbow ruckus has hit St. Joseph's Catholic Secondary School in Mississauga.

Is it the end of the rainbow in Catholic schools?

Rainbows — both in images and words — are being discouraged in at least one Catholic school because they are seen as too politically charged for the anti-homophobia clubs that want to use them.

Students at St. Joseph's Catholic Secondary School in Mississauga were told not to put up a rainbow flag at a recent anti-homophobia event. So they baked rainbows into their cupcakes instead.

"I thought it was unfair," said student organizer Leanne Iskander of not being allowed to display the rainbow flag or other such signs. "Rainbows can represent anything — you can't just ban rainbows."

The rainbow ruckus is the latest example of the tension in Catholic schools ordered by Queen's Park to help in the fight against homophobia while upholding the Vatican's stand against gay sex.

Initially, Ontario's Catholic bishops and school trustees banned gay-straight alliances and called instead for broader "equity" clubs. While alliances are still not allowed, student lobbying prompted the go-ahead for clubs that focus solely on homophobia.

As for the rainbow banner, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic board says the flag wasn't banned, but that a school-designed bookmark, with coloured stripes that referred to events for the entire social justice week — not just the Friday anti-homophobia day — was preferred.

On another anti-homophobia day or the like, putting up a rainbow flag inside the school "certainly wouldn't be outside the realm that is something acceptable to ask," board spokesperson Bruce Campbell said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

### Call to arms

- **The equity club at St.** Joseph's Catholic Secondary School is called Open Arms, which board spokesperson Bruce Campbell said is encouraged instead of a rainbow or gay-straight alliance.
- **"The rainbow is** associated with the pride movement, and we certainly are looking for something as inclusionary as possible," Campbell said. "Open arms, that type of reference, is more preferable in our board."

**Stanley.** Cup contest

▶ NHL legend Lanny McDonald, centre, greets Scotiabank's "See Stanley with Lanny" contest winners, the Burkholder family of Hornby, Ont., just north of Mississauga, at Pearson Airport as they get ready to leave for Boston to watch a Stanley Cup game.

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## Countdown to Beantown

**The Burkholder family will be in Boston tonight after winning the grand prize in Scotiabank's "See Stanley with Lanny" contest — that's Lanny McDonald, who played with the Leafs from 1973-80. The Canucks lead the series 2-1.**

# Man alleges squeegee assault

A Newmarket man says he was attacked by a man with a squeegee in downtown Toronto.

The man says he was stopped Monday at Queen Street and Spadina Avenue when a man with a squeegee walked up to his car. When the driver refused to give him money, the other man beat him over the head with the squeegee. The lacerations required 20 stitches.

Deputy Mayor Doug Holyday said he is trying to push through an anti-panhandling law, but it will take time.

"I'm pretty sure the province has to be involved and I don't think the legislature's even going to meet until after October," he said.

A suspect has been arrested and faces charges of assault with a weapon. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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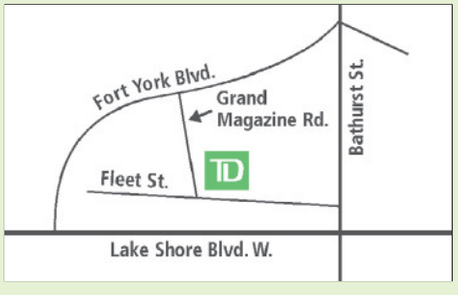


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▶ In this image broadcast by Libyan TV yesterday, Moammar Gadhafi greets unidentified people at an unknown location.

# 'We will not kneel,' says defiant Gadhafi

- NATO unleashes its most punishing airstrikes yet
- Smoke billows above Libyan leader's Tripoli HQ

Moammar Gadhafi stood defiant yesterday in the face of the heaviest and most punishing NATO airstrikes yet.

"We will not kneel!" he shouted on state television amid thunderous daylight attacks that sent plumes of smoke billowing above his central Tripoli compound.

It couldn't be confirmed whether the Libyan leader's 10-minute speech was a live phone call or an audio recording, but it appeared to take state television by surprise. The sound was hastily adjusted to make it louder.

**Where is he?**

- Moammar Gadhafi has mostly been in hiding since NATO strikes in April targeted one of his homes.
- Libyan officials said one of his sons, Saif al-Arab, and three of his grandchildren were killed in that strike.

"We will not surrender: we only have one choice — to the end! Death, victory, it does not matter, we are not surrendering!" Gadhafi said.

Highlighting his anger, he called the rebels "bastards."

NATO officials have warned for days that they were increasing the intensity of their air campaign to oust Gadhafi after more than 40 years in power.

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**Harper's.** Pet

▶ Stanley the cat in a photo from Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Facebook page.

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## Cat named in honour of the cup

**The name for Prime Minister Stephen Harper's cat was announced yesterday as the Vancouver Canucks play for the Stanley Cup. A poll on the social networking site had asked people to vote on a name for the grey tabby. Stanley won easily with nearly 5,000 votes. Runner-up Smokie received about 1,800 votes.**

# Time running out to solve E. coli outbreak mystery

### Tough for officials to link patients to contaminated produce weeks after they became infected: Expert

Health experts say time is running out for German investigators to find the source of the world's deadliest E. coli outbreak, and some have been surprised at lapses in the probe.

German health officials are still looking for the cause of the outbreak that began May 2. So far, the super-toxic strain of E. coli has killed 24 people, infected more than 2,400 and left hundreds hospitalized with a serious complication that can lead to kidney failure. New cases are still being reported every day — 94 more in Germany yesterday.

"If we don't know the likely culprit in a week's time, we may never know the cause," Dr. Guenael Rodier, the director of communicable diseases at the World Health Organization, said yesterday.

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# Weiner tearful, but won't resign

**U.S. congressman says lewd Twitter pic wasn't illegal and he will submit to inquiry House Democrats show disappointment and embarrassment at scandal**

A prominent U.S. Democratic lawmaker's once promising career was in danger yesterday after he acknowledged sending a lewd photo to a woman over Twitter and then lying repeatedly to protect himself.

Congressman Anthony Weiner has refused to resign even as house Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi formally requested an ethics investigation.

▶ Anthony Weiner

The National Republican Congressional Committee seized on the scandal as a 2012 campaign issue, issuing news releases calling on more than a dozen house Democrats to return campaign contributions from Weiner. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Not sure of ages

- **Anthony Weiner acknowledged** he had engaged in inappropriate contact with six women over the course of three years through social networking sites like Twitter and Facebook and occasionally over the phone.
- He said he had never met or had a physical relationship with any of the women and was not even sure of their ages.
- Weiner said he never had sex outside of his marriage.
- Last July, Weiner married Huma Abedin, a top aide to U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

PUBLIC SAFETY

## Sex offender list proposal debated

Ontario could be the first province in Canada to create a website listing the names and addresses of its registered sex offenders — a controversial proposal that's sparking a debate in the province.

Some experts say it's an essential tool that would better protect children from predators, while others are asking whether it could lead to vigilante action.

▶ Ann Cavoukian

The election promise by the Progressive Conservatives goes further than any other program in Canada that's designed to warn the public about high-risk offenders.

If they form the next government, the Tories say they would put the province's sex offender registry online, allowing the public access to the names and locations of 14,100 individuals.

People should ask themselves what might be gained from making that information public, said Ann Cavoukian, the province's privacy commissioner.

Police already keep tabs on registered sex offenders and have the power to notify the public if there's a potential danger to a community, she said.

The website is "absolutely needed" to better protect kids from predators, said Paul Gillespie, a former Toronto police officer who co-founded the Kids' Internet Safety Alliance. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ Sarah Palin, left, poses with celebrity look-alike impersonator Cecilia Thompson during a tour of Boston's North End neighbourhood last Thursday.

# Paul Revere revisited

## Sarah Palin sparks debate on smarts, U.S. history

It's not a jab from U.S. President Barack Obama that's causing former Alaska governor Sarah Palin trouble these days. It's her recent resurrection of long-dead Paul Revere and her placement of the midnight rider on the wrong side of U.S. history.

The iconic American Revolution figure is the subject of intense historical debate thanks to Palin's recounting of his 1775 ride to alert American militia British troops were approaching.

"He who warned the British that they weren't gonna be takin' away our arms by ringing those bells, and makin' sure as he's riding his horse through town to send those warning shots and bells that we were going to be sure and we were going to be free," she said.

As is often the case with Palin, the latest brouhaha has also resulted in a national debate about her intelligence, in addition to American history.

Palin's mangling of the story near and dear to Americans has even resulted in the padlocking of the Wikipedia page about Revere after suspected supporters tried repeatedly to edit the entry to mesh better with the former Alaska governor's version of events. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Group buys Hitler letter

- **Paid $150,000 to private dealer last month to obtain the 1919 writing**
- **Plans to put it on view at Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles in July**

The founder of a Jewish human rights organization said yesterday the group has acquired a document by Adolf Hitler believed to contain his first written comments calling Jews a threat that should be removed.

Rabbi Marvin Hier of the Simon Wiesenthal Center said the letter was typed by Hitler on a German army typewriter. At the time it was written, Hitler was serving in the army, and had taken to riling up the troops with his anti-Semitic rants. A superior officer urged Hitler to put his ideas on paper. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Fans watch the Vancouver Canucks lose to the Boston Bruins Monday in downtown Vancouver.

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The 8-1 mauling at the hands of the Bruins Monday let some of the air out of Vancouver's gigantic hubris balloon and brought the city back to Earth (a little bit).

According to police statistics — the universal barometer for good times — about 35,000 people watched the game downtown in glorious weather and at expanded viewing areas to accommodate the expected crowd.

By comparison, Game 1 saw 40,000 celebrators, despite torrential rain, while 70,000 people hit the street Saturday for Game 2.

Game 2 also led the way for trouble, with 46 arrests and 891 booze pour outs.

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## Another big winner at Atlantic City casino

Lightning has struck twice at the Tropicana Casino and Resort, which has lost more than $11 million US to just two high-stakes gamblers since April.

Just weeks after a blackjack player beat the casino for $5.8 million, a different gambler won $5.3 million last week.

Yet despite the huge losses, the Tropicana is sticking with its new emphasis on high-stakes table games play, confident things will eventually run in its favour.

"That's just how it goes sometimes; if you bet more, you can win more," said Tony Rodio, the Tropicana's president and CEO.

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# Air Canada workers to rally at Pearson

## Union could call strike beginning midnight June 13

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▶ Air Canada chief executive Calin Rovinescu. The company says it remains committed to reaching a negotiated settlement with the union.

Disgruntled Air Canada unions plan to hold a rally at Pearson International Airport tomorrow, a day before one of the unions could serve notice of a strike.

The Canadian Auto Workers union hopes thousands of its members and supporting unions will converge at Terminal 1 domestic arrivals starting at 1 p.m.

It wasn't clear where the rally might move from there or if the gathering will cause any disruptions to airport passengers.

The CAW, which has 3,800 Air Canada customer service and airport workers across the country, said union members will stage "a mass rally of solidarity and convey to management that enough is enough."

Air Canada said in an email that it recognizes and respects the right of its employees to express their opinions.

"We remain committed to reaching a negotiated settlement with the union leadership and avert strike action and customers can continue to book Air Canada flights with confidence," the company said.

The union and Air Canada are meeting behind closed doors trying to reach an agreement.

The CAW could serve 72-hours notice Friday.

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### The issue

**Three unions representing flight attendants, ground crews, counter personnel and other workers have united to fight Air Canada's plan to introduce a defined-contribution pension plan for new workers.**

- The current defined-benefit pension plan provides retirees with a predictable income, but it exposes the airline to additional costs if the pension fund's assets can't pay for the benefits.
- With defined-contribution plans, the airline's contribution is limited to a set negotiated amount and payouts to retirees depend on the performance of the underlying investments.
- Air Canada was forced into creditor protection due in part to the cost of dealing with its pension deficit.
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First-quarter profit was $2.4 million, compared with a loss of $114.4 million in 2010, the company said yesterday.

Sales in the latest quarter fell to $293.6 million from $306.3 million.

The huge loss in the 2010 quarter included a charge of $112.7 million related to the change in fair value of warrants after adoption of new International Financial Reporting Standard accounting rules.

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# New Nintendo launched

**Will the Japanese giant's new Wii U revolutionize gaming?**
**Controller resembles a mobile device and can be used as a shield**

Nintendo introduced its new game console, the Wii U, at the Electronic Entertainment Expo in Los Angeles, Calif., yesterday.

Its distinguishing feature is a unique controller, which resembles a tablet computer. Users can play games on the TV, on the controller, or both.

"It's a new structure for home entertainment," Reggie Fils-Aime, president and COO of the company's North American division, told the crowd.

Although the controller resembles a mobile device — and the Wii U itself is Internet ready — Fils-Aime cautioned that, "it was not designed to be a portable gaming machine, even though it shares some characteristics. The images displayed on the new controller are generated only by Wii U."

"Nintendo needed to differentiate themselves from their competition one more time, and they're very far out of the box with this new controller," Chris Kohler, gaming editor of Wired.com, told Metro.

Fils-Aime displayed footage of New Super Mario Bros. Me and Lego City Stories. Other available titles include Batman: Arkham City, a new Assassin's Creed and EA Sports — serious games for serious gamers, with mature content.

The new product is key to Nintendo's future. Although the original Wii has sold 86.7 million units worldwide (compared to 54 million for Xbox and 50.6 million for Playstation 3), sales have lagged recently, with a reported 29 per cent decline in revenue.

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### WII vs. WII U

**What's the difference between the old and new systems?**

- **The controller**
  Wii U's controller is rectangular and has a touch screen, speaker and camera compared to the screen-free baton of the Wii.
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# RIM connects with Scoreloop

BlackBerry maker Research in Motion has acquired German social game developer Scoreloop in a bid to boost development of social and collaborative gaming applications.

RIM says Scoreloop will help its developer community "take gaming to a new level of social integration."

Munich-based Scoreloop has developed a gaming ecosystem aimed at building communities designed to generate revenue from mobile games.

Its products allow programmers to build connections from games to social media through virtual currencies, global leaderboards and product promotions.

RIM, based in Waterloo, has had a stiff fight from technology giant Apple, whose hugely popular iPad is in direct competition with RIM's less well-received PlayBook tablet.

Apple announced iMessage for the iPhone, iPod touch and iPad, which mimics the popular BlackBerry Messenger program.

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▶ The view from a condo in Vancouver beside Stanley Park with a view of English Bay, the park and downtown.

# Vancouver housing costs could plummet: Report

A new report suggests sky-high housing prices in Vancouver could fall more than 21 per cent if foreign investment ebbs or interest rates climb.

The report from BMO Economics says overpriced homes in some Canadian cities, along with elevated household debt, suggest the real estate market is vulnerable to a correction — especially in Vancouver.

It says past housing corrections saw Vancouver home values fall an average of 21 per cent. Prices are even higher today, averaging $815,000 in April, making the market even more susceptible.

The report says housing costs in Vancouver now eat up 11.2 times of median family income. The Canadian average is 5.1 times median family income — a historically high level as average Canadian home prices have more than doubled in the past 10 years.

BMO says current prices suggest that even a modest increase in interest rates will slow the market in coming years. Some triggers that could set off a broader collapse include a rapid rise in interest rates, a sharp increase in unemployment or a slowing of foreign investment.

High home prices in Toronto also mean the country's biggest city is likely poised for softer prices in the near term, fuelled by a rising supply of condos that could soon outstrip demand, leaving a glut on the market. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Vestigial: (vĕstĭj'ēəl): Relating to a body part that has become small and lost its use because of evolutionary change.

For example, Canada Post.

In case you haven't heard, there's a strike going on at the post office. It's a nice, polite, post-modern rotating strike that, so far, has touched lightly on smaller cities such as Victoria and Hamilton, but the posties could hit the bricks across the board and most of us would only notice a slight reduction in the amount of junk mail cluttering our mailboxes.

Snail mail is one of those vestiges, like the appendix, that is hanging around (literally, in the case of the appendix) but has an increasingly obscure purpose.

Unless you're one of those vestigial anachronisms who likes to pay bills by mail and fondle your paycheque for a few minutes before you sacrifice it to hungry creditors, you probably pay your bills on the Internet, get your pay via direct deposit and send emails to your relatives in Parry Sound, Ont.

**"The sad truth is, if Canada Post had an appendectomy tomorrow, no one, except for those 50,000 people with nice jobs, would really suffer."**

Even snail-mail Christmas cards are giving way to e-cards, which you can pick up on your laptop, iPad, PlayBook, smartphone, desktop, etc. Of course, you can't mount them on the mantel, but interior decorators everywhere agree that's a good thing.

Snail mail has decreased by 17 per cent since 2006, says Canada Post, and, frankly, it's surprising the drop isn't greater. Must be all those vital fast-food coupons.

So what is the union thinking? Why remind us that Canada Post employees, with no advanced educational requirements or experience, start at $24 per hour with three weeks' holidays, retire with full pension at 55, and can bank sick days (what's a sick day?), for being the workplace equivalent of the appendix?

The sick-day banking thing is particularly interesting. You could argue that sick days are a humane mechanism, but why should you get to keep them when you're not sick? And turn them in for cash? At taxpayer expense?

The sad truth is, if Canada Post had an appendectomy tomorrow, no one, except for those 50,000 people with nice jobs, would really suffer. It might take a couple of weeks to learn how to send money by email, pay Canada Revenue online, and transfer your holiday greetings to Facebook, but there is nothing that posties do that can't be duplicated online or by private companies.

Apparently, postal Armageddon is not arriving fast enough for the union, so as it teeters on the brink of irrelevance, it has decided to go on strike, finish itself off, and leave no forwarding address.

Return to sender. Just sayin'.

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## metro life panel

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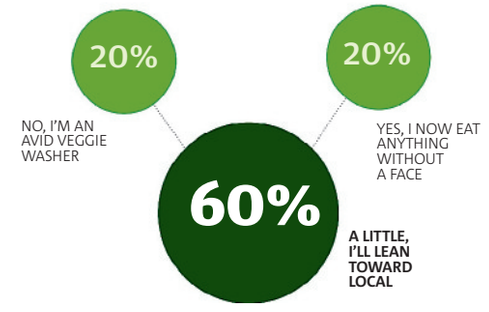


## Local tweets

- **@nbomb:** "Apple's wireless partners were surprised to learn of (iMessage) during Monday's WWDC keynote." Good. Screw them & their SMS gouging.
- **@maajinnbluu:** With iMessage on the horizon, what do all you bbmers have to cling to now??
- **@that3dguy:** Death of the Blackberry, #iMessage ftw.
- **@lisajolsen:** Confirms my switch to iPhone — bbm is all I miss
- **@ajt2189:** One thing I liked about my iPhone was not having BBM. New iMessage is identical & shows msgs read. Too invasive.
- **@inkybat:** I believe the dog has still not recovered from the thunderstorm in the middle of the night.
- **@bfg900:** 3 am street fight outside my window, followed by 4am thunderstorm. Today is really starting to drag, right about now.
- **@dfrst:** #wiiu looks amazing. #nintendo has done it again, and have really thought outside of the box (console?)

## Worth mentioning

**ROME.** Global food prices fell slightly in May, but they will remain "at stubbornly high levels" for months to come, a UN agency said yesterday.

The Food and Agriculture Organization said high and volatile prices can be expected the rest of this year and into 2012, citing a decline in food stockpiles and modest production increases for most of the crops.

Food prices dropped one per cent in May compared to the previous month, but remain 37 per cent above May 2010, according to a price index released by the agency. It said lower cereal and sugar prices led to the decrease in the May index, offsetting increases in meat and dairy prices.

The index hit an all-time high in February, raising fears of a repeat of the food crisis of 2007-08, when high prices led to violence and political tensions in many parts of the world. Prices in March decreased, though experts warn they remain far too high for many poor communities.

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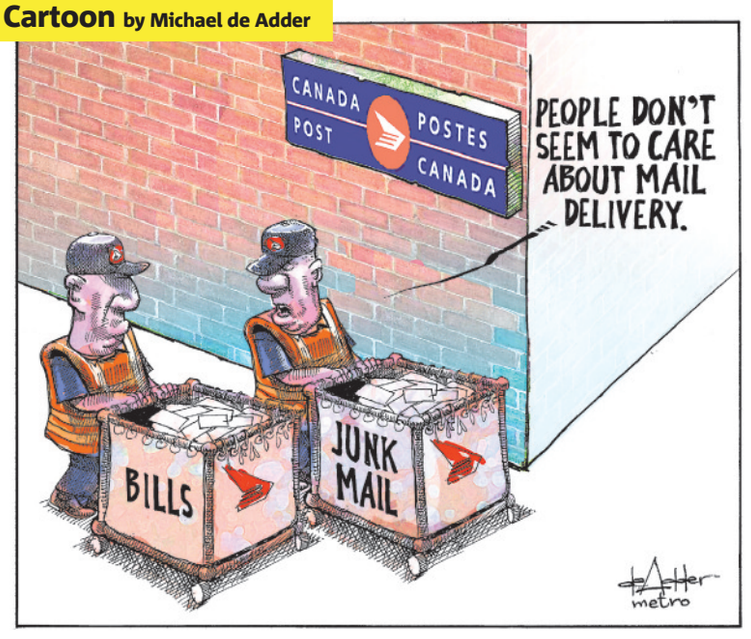


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## No sequel for this sheep named Shrek

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▶ Shrek

New Zealanders were mourning the death of the country's most famous sheep yesterday, a shaggy national icon named Shrek who was renowned for avoiding being shorn for years.

Shrek captured the public's imagination in 2004 after he evaded the annual shearing roundups for the previous seven years by hiding in caves on his farm on the South Island. When finally found, he was clad in an astonishing 27 kilograms of wool.

That's about five times a typical annual shearing from Shrek's breed, the Merino sheep, prized for some of the softest wool. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Scene in brief

Space shuttle Endeavour commander Mark Kelly delivered an out-of-this-world message to a U2 concert after Bono dedicated a song to Kelly's wife, Arizona Rep. Gabrielle Giffords. Kelly appeared on a video board from the International Space Station and said "Tell my wife I love her very much."
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Patti LaBelle, Steve Harvey to be honoured at the BET Awards, where Chris Brown is to perform. Scan code for story.

# Lady Antebellum not a 'one-trick pony'

- **Country trio wants to move on from the crazy success of their single Need You Now**
- **Next topic: Lady A reveals Sept. 13 release date for their new album, Own the Night**

Now that Need You Now has changed their lives, the members of Lady Antebellum are ready to change the subject.

The country trio will release their follow-up to that Grammy-winning album on Sept. 13.

Own the Night turns the page on a notable chapter in the story of Hillary Scott, Dave Haywood and Charles Kelley's rise from promising country up-and-comers to one of the most successful crossover acts in music history. It's time to move on.

"We don't want anyone to think we're a one-trick pony," Kelley said in a phone interview with The Associated Press from Los Angeles. "That's our goal, to say, 'Hey, guys, we've got more coming.'"

Need You Now was the top-selling country album of 2010 with three million copies sold, and the title track was the top-selling digital download.

Fans downloaded the song about an ill-advised and drunken late-night call to an old flame more than 3.1 million times last year.

It was the rare country song that resonated across the spectrum of listeners, rising to No. 2 on Billboard's pop music chart.

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**"I think for us we're just ready to have new music out there and have the conversation shift toward something different."**
CHARLES KELLEY OF LADY ANTEBELLUM, ON THE GROUP'S HIT SONG NEED YOU NOW

The song netted most of the major country awards, and Lady A won a leading five Grammys, including song of the year.

The album produced three multiweek No. 1s on the country chart and pushed the trio into headliner territory on the road, where they spent much of 2010 after the January release of the album turned everything upside down.

"I think we'd be lying if we didn't say it puts that little added pressure on us for this record," Kelley said.

"I think for us we're just ready to have new music out there and have the conversation shift toward something different. My biggest fear is having the conversation keep being about a song that's two or three years old. I feel as artists and musicians we're ready to move on to the next chapter."

### Movin' on

**Lady A are eager to spin the conversation forward to the May 2 release of their new single, Just a Kiss, and fans showed they're receptive.**

- **The single** debuted at No. 7 on the Hot 100, a record for a country group.
- **The song** is a classic example of the trio's strengths with Kelley and Scott harmonizing over a slow-burning track about simple emotions that most people can connect with.
- **The trio** now has a recognizable sound that will be featured on Own the Night, Kelley said.
- **Much of the writing** was done on tour buses with the trio inviting songwriters to accompany them for a week at a time.
- "There's a lot of songs I think that have a lot of nostalgia to them," Kelley said. "I think when you're out there on the road and you're so busy, you tend to get a little more introspective and you start thinking about what road led you where you are. So there's a lot of songs looking back at childhood or old love or whatever it may be."

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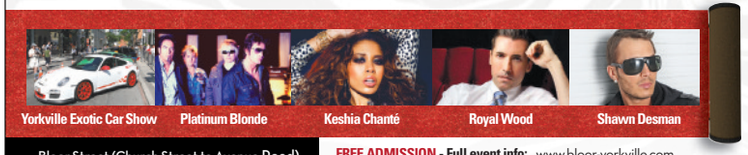

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# HOLLYWOOD STILL CASHING IN ON FILMS FOR WEE ONES

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▶ Roald Dahl's books seem made to entertain kids at movie theatres. Johnny Depp wowed as Willy Wonka in Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

According to Wikipedia, books written specifically for children have existed since the 17th century.

Some of those books and stories have endured — Charles Perrault's Little Red Riding Hood, Sleeping Beauty and Cinderella — some have not — remember the 1658 book Orbis Pictus in Bohemia? — but stories for kids remain among the top sellers at bookstores and online.

Hollywood has been paying attention. As far back as 1910 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz graced the silent screen and this summer, 101 years later, the parade of movies adapted from children's books shows no sign of slowing.

Next week Jim Carrey brings the Richard and Florence Atwater book Mr. Popper's Penguins to life and this weekend Heather Graham stars in an adaptation of Megan McDonald's Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer.

In the world of kid lit the name Dr. Seuss looms larger than most. His books are classics; unfortunately the movies made from his work tend not to be.

Although Theodor Geisel (the good doctor's real name) had great success on the small screen with animated specials like How the Grinch Stole Christmas, he was reluctant to allow his creations to be turned into films.

Two uneven adaptations — Ron Howard's How the Grinch Stole Christmas and Mike Myers as The Cat in the Hat — so annoyed the writer's widow Audrey that she vowed to never again allow live-action versions of her husband's books.

Apparently animation adaptations are OK, and in 2008 Horton Hears a Who!, a big CGI film featuring the voices of Jim Carrey, Steve Carell and Carol Burnett earned good reviews and broke the Dr. Seuss silver screen curse.

One writer whose work seemed made to entertain kids at movie theatres was Roald Dahl. From Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory (later remade by Tim Burton as Charlie and the Chocolate Factory) to James and the Giant Peach and Fantastic Mr. Fox to The BFG (Big Friendly Giant), his stories have easily adapted to live-action, stop-motion or traditional animation treatments.

Of course not all movies that sound like adaptations of children's books are the real deal. Think twice before you rent The Woodsman.

The title may sound reminiscent of Little Red Rising Hood, but it's a dark drama about decidedly non-kid-friendly events and although Whoever Slew Auntie Roo? is based on Hansel and Gretel be careful, it's the stuff of nightmares for little ones.

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▶ Opal (Heather Graham) and Judy (Jordana Beatty) star in the upcoming release, Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer.

# Graham gets goofy

## ◗ Playing the 'wacky aunt' wasn't difficult for Graham who loves spending time with her friends' kids ◗ Star bonded with her young Aussie co-star

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For Heather Graham, taking on the role of oddball Aunt Opal, a guerilla artist and world traveller, in Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer, was something of a no-brainer, since Graham and Opal tend to view the world in a similar fashion.

"I've definitely done that. And I've definitely had the philosophy of how do I live my life as a work of art? Like, how do I get the most joy and pleasure out of every day and just appreciate everything?" Graham says.

Life philosophies aside, Graham was just excited to get into Aunt Opal's eclectic clothes — many of which made their way home with her.

"The wardrobe designer was so amazing — I loved her," Graham says. "Everything she had, I just felt like I was going crazy, like, 'I want this so bad when the movie's over.'"

One of the bonuses for Graham of taking on that kind of role was immersing herself in the world of her young co-stars.

"You're not thinking and worrying about adult things, you're just really in the moment and having fun. And I think that's a good thing to remind yourself as an adult. It's fun to remind myself that everything is so fun and simple if you let it be that way."

**"It's really fun to be around kids and feel like that side of yourself that just wants to have fun."**
**HEATHER GRAHAM, ON SPENDING TIME WITH HER YOUNG CO-STARS**

Also fun was introducing Judy Moody herself, young Australian actress Jordana Beatty, to some U.S. customs.

"We decorated her trailer, because she's never had Halloween before because they don't have it in Australia," Graham says. "We went in her room and we decorated it with jack-o'-lanterns and all of these things, and we were so excited. We surprised her."

But the Halloween-themed fun didn't stop there, especially considering the bond that developed between Graham and Beatty.

"I was with her for her first Halloween," Graham remembers. "It was after we stopped shooting, but we went trick-or-treating together. And she was a pumpkin. We went to [Los Angeles neighbourhood] Toluca Lake. It was crazy. There's so many people, and every single lawn looks like a set designer built it."

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# Sharon Osbourne's tough love attitude

## Says she's ready speak up when America hasn't Got Talent

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Watch out jugglers and fire-eaters. Judge Sharon Osbourne plans on being a lot tougher on this season of America's Got Talent.

"I'm definitely harder than I've been in previous years," says Osbourne, still best known as the no-nonsense matriarch on MTV's ground-breaking celebrity reality series The Osbournes.

"You don't want to destroy someone's dream. On the other hand, you don't want to give false hope. I'm comfortable in that position of being a little more judgemental; making it more about the talent and not someone's life story."

In a TV world packed with amateur talent competitions, America's Got Talent stands out as something of a throwback to the days of variety shows.

Unlike current series like American Idol, AGT offers up all forms of entertainment — comics, dancers, ventriloquists, geriatric rappers. You name it, America's Got Talent has it.

"The thing I love about it — it's not just about the singing. Which can get kind of boring," says Osbourne.

"On (America's Got Talent), the element of surprise is still there. You never know what someone is going to do."

Osbourne always gives the appearance of being in total control — an unstoppable, one-woman media juggernaut with two TV series on the air and new opportunities emerging every day. But, according to Osbourne, it's all an illusion.

"Oh yes. I think I can handle it (her schedule)," she laughs. "But I mess up a lot of plans all the time. I will have to re-examine my schedule for the next year."

Osbourne cautions that the instant fame associated with reality shows isn't necessarily the answer to lasting success.

"It's all about the talent," Osbourne cautions. "With a reality show, you might get there quicker, but it doesn't last long. You can make it without a sex tape or being on a reality show."

America's Got Talent airs Tuesdays and Wednesdays on CityTV.

### TV picks

#### Modern Family x 2

**COMEDY.** It's mostly repeats on tonight but at least there's a double shot of Modern Family. In the first episode, Claire tries to slow down a speeding driver. (Citytv)

#### Kennedy's final journey

**DOC.** A new HBO documentary revisits the funeral of Robert Kennedy as mourners paid their last respects. In One Thousand Pictures: RFK's Last Journey, photographer Paul Fusco recounts his experiences as he snapped photos from the train that carried Kennedy's body. (HBO Canada)

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Kate Hudson

# Baby shower for Kate Hudson

**Lots of gender-neutral gifts for boy or girl**

Kate Hudson is one step closer to becoming a mom again, celebrating with a baby shower at a private home in Malibu recently with guests including Rachel Zoe, Courteney Cox and Jessica Capshaw, according to People magazine.

"[Kate] looked amazing and kept giggling while mingling with friends, nibbling on food and playing games. She seemed to have the best time," a source says of the soirée.

With the gender of the baby still a mystery, guests lavished Hudson with "gender-neutral baby items," according to the source. METRO

# Cheryl Cole not on X-Factor

Producers for the new U.S. edition of X Factor have made it official, announcing that Cheryl Cole is out as a judge for the reality series.

"Nicole Scherzinger will be replacing Cheryl Cole on the judging panel of The X Factor," a statement from Fox, Fremantle Media and Syco TV reads.

"Nicole has previously joined Simon Cowell as a guest judge on The X Factor for the U.K. version of the show in 2010. Steve Jones will act as sole host of The X Factor."

No official reason was given for Cole's dismissal. METRO

Cameron Diaz

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# Cameron ignores rumours of split

Cameron Diaz is reportedly laughing off reports that she and Alex Rodriguez have split up, according to Us Weekly. The pair have been acting very much like a couple around L.A. recently, hitting up parties for the MTV Movie Awards and the NBA finals looking "very affectionate," sources say.

As for dealing with reports about her love life, Diaz shrugs it off: "If I want to read gossip, I read about somebody else's life. I can't worry about what other people say," Diaz tells Extra. METRO

# Reiser: Show was caught in crossfire

While Paul Reiser is smarting over the cancelation of his latest sitcom, The Paul Reiser Show — which was yanked from NBC earlier this year after airing just two episodes — the comedian thinks there's plenty of blame to go around.

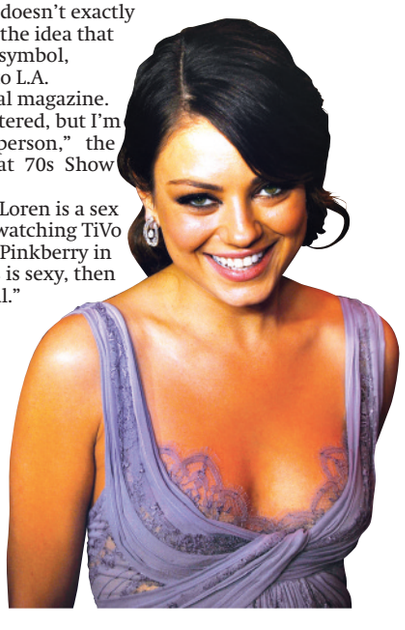
"One of the things I've learned is it's not really a great idea to develop a show at a network that gets sold in the middle of your term," he tells Popeater, referring to NBC's recent deal with Comcast. "It could not have been a less opportune moment" METRO

# Mila Kunis: I'm no sex symbol

Mila Kunis doesn't exactly agree with the idea that she's a sex symbol, according to L.A. Confidential magazine.

"I'm flattered, but I'm not that person," the former That 70s Show star says.

"Sophia Loren is a sex symbol. If watching TiVo and eating Pinkberry in sweatpants is sexy, then I'm your gal." METRO



# Scarlett, Sean Penn still friends

Scarlett Johansson

Though Scarlett Johansson and Sean Penn have put their relationship to rest, they were spotted hanging out together recently backstage at Spike TV's Guys Choice Awards, according to Popeater, though it's apparently no surprise.

"If you remember after Scarlett confirmed her split from Ryan [Reynolds] the two continued to see each other and have dinner together,' a friend of the actress says. METRO

## Celebrity tweets

@nicolerichie

"Why is everyone getting junk mail besides me? All my friends are complaining, and I have to lie and say "totally, me too!"

@piersmorgan

"Has there ever been a better name for a sex scandal politician than

Weiner?"

@SethMacFarlane

"When society collapses, who do I talk to about being killed last?"

@DamonLindelof

"Emma Frost's THREE mutant powers: Telepathy, Transformation to Solid Diamond and last but not least, Sucking at Acting."

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# Enjoy the sights, sounds of Saskatoon

**Head to Canada's heartland this summer and taste the fruits of their labour The Saskatoon berry is a local favourite in many forms**

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Who knew little old unassuming Saskatoon could be so colourful and fun? Especially when there doesn't happen to be any snow on the ground.

Part of that colour, comes every year from the rich red juice of the fabled Saskatoon berry, which is a long time favourite of locals, and quickly becoming a tourist attraction for us out-of-towners.

After arriving at the famous "Berry Barn" just a few miles south of the city, I was hit with the undeniable fact that these tasty little berries are becoming a downright industry. We're talking pies, cakes, preserves, chocolates, ciders, teas and juices, all made from these berries. I even headed out back to harvest a few handfuls from the touristy berry patch orchard. Inside the Berry Barn gift shop, tourists were snatching up Saskatoon Berry plush dolls. Hey, why not exploit what you have! With breathtaking views of the South Saskatchewan River, and a great little country-style dining room, the "Barn" is a great way to wile away a prairie afternoon.

Full of berries, and ready for some high speed adventure, I decided it was time to move on to the new Auto Clearing Motor Speedway, north of the city. Saskatoon has one of the best racing facilities in the country, and I have to say there is nothing like the excitement of a good stock car event in a city that appreciates it.

With a grandstand seating only 3,000, you can get an up close feel for what racing is all about, fast and furious style. That whole baron prairie stereotype of Saskatoon was quickly erased for me, soon after arriving in this vibrant city. Saskatoon berries, and stock cars … what more do you need?

### Activities

**Other cool things to do in Saskatoon.**

- **Walk the Meewasin Valley Trail:** Stroll along the banks of the South Saskatchewan River, which winds through the center of the city. In the winter you can even skate or snowshoe.
- **Wanuskewin Heritage Park:** This national historic site features an interactive museum on local native culture. The gateway to hundreds of acres of scenic trails, prairie landscape and archeological sites.

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▶ A beautiful red sky in Saskatchewan.

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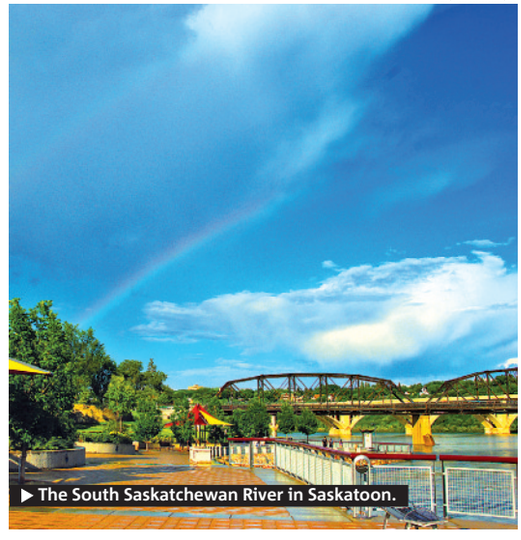

▶ The South Saskatchewan River in Saskatoon.

### Travel in brief

Bibliophiles who love to travel have a new resource — the website literarytourist.com, launched by an Ottawa-based journalist who says he wants to help used bookstores stay in business. Nigel Beale calls the website a "one-stop shop for literary tourists," with listings for 7,000 to 8,000 stores and destinations across North America. Places in other countries will be added later.

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**Growth in popularity of garden tourism has encouraged Buffalo's Garden Festival to expand its reach**
**Tourists get a chance to see and smell great gardens and get some interesting landscape ideas**

# Stop and smell the roses in Buffalo

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▶ Garden Tourism is quickly becoming a growing trend in tourism in North America.

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▶ Stephen Sinkevich of Albany, N.Y.,, photographs tulips in Washington Park in Albany.

More American cities are inviting travellers to stop and smell the roses, hoping that they also will taste the food, see the sights, hear some music — and spend some money.

Garden tourism has blossomed as an attractive niche for cities, not only as a way to spruce up their collective curb appeal but to generate green for hotels, restaurants and shops.

Around America, there are as many events to pick from as a field of wild flowers.

Buffalo is gearing up for its annual Garden Festival, where the main event is a weekend of meandering through the eclectic backyards of some 350 home gardeners. Western New York neighbour Rochester has its fragrant lilac festival. Albany revels in its showy Mother's Day tulips. In North Carolina, it's an Azalea Festival. And in Deer Isle, Maine, it's the Lupine Festival.

Some 3,000 garden-centred events and festivals are mounted in the United States each year, said Richard Benfield, author of the coming book Garden Tourism.

He estimates earth-friendly garden tourism to be one of America's fastest growing areas of leisure and recreation, appealing not only to an older crowd that may have outgrown the roller-coaster scene, but also to younger homeowners in search of landscaping inspiration and to anyone in search of a simple breath of fresh air.

"In terms of our society," Benfield said, "there's an element of wanting more beauty, that people are tired of the sterile, grey, urban. We're looking much more for something a little deeper and there are many studies that suggest flora and biological species do a lot for the human spirit."

Buffalo's self-guided free Garden Walk, now in its 17th year, has been drawing crowds of 45,000 to 50,000 people, on par with regional events like the Vermont Maple Festival, Cincinnati River Festival and Little River Blue Crab Festival in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Organizers found 36 states and Canada represented in a survey of 2,864 of last year's attendees, while overall, about a quarter of visitors were from out of town. "We were impressed," said walk president Jim Charlier. "It was nice to see the breadth of states and Canada."

The ever-growing crowds last year inspired the creation of the broader Garden Festival. Instead of a single weekend, five weeks of garden-related walks, tours, seminars and other special events now are promoted to draw in and keep tourists busy at sites that, as an added bonus, often do not need the expensive staffs and maintenance of attractions like amusement parks or museums.

Between June 24 and July 31, visitors can vote in a front yard contest pitting landscapers against each other and see "open gardens." Tourists also are encouraged to see the Buffalo Japanese Garden, a gift from Kanazawa, Japan, and modelled after that city's scenic Kenrokuen Garden, as well as the Delaware Park Rose Garden and Erie Basin Marina test gardens, where new annuals are evaluated.

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***"Deserts give movies — and holidays — drama"***

If the sweeping vistas of epics like Lawrence of Arabia leave you more breathless than thirsty, then a desert vacation might be just the thing for you. Luckily, Hollywood's locations specialists have already staked out the best and most visitor-friendly spots around the globe for arid relaxation.

### *SEX AND THE CITY 2*

**Morocco**

Originally to be filmed in Abu Dhabi, trouble with clearances from the Arab nation forced the producers to shift to the more tourist-friendly Morocco, which makes it much easier for you to retrace the high-heeled steps of Carrie, Miranda, Charlotte and Samantha. When you're done shopping in the markets of Marrakesh, go south east towards the village of Merzouga, near to the spectacular dunes of Eg Chebbi. Book a camel trek into the Western Sahara for the definition of a desert adventure.

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▶ A desert near a Pacific paradise.

### *TROY*

**Cabo San Lucas, Mexico**

While Malta stood in for much of the ancient land for this 2004 epic, the famed walls of Troy were actually constructed in the much more easily-accessible Baja peninsula in Mexico. With beautiful white-sand beaches on both side of the rocky desert landscape, this strip of land dividing the Sea of Cortez from the Pacific Ocean may be the most ideal desert destination out there.

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▶ Try driving a motorcycle through these hills.

### *THE MOTORCYCLE DIARIES*

**Atacama Desert, Chile**

Walter Salles' 2004 film chronicling a young Che Guevera (Gael Garcia Burnel) as he traverses South America in 1952 features some stunning locations, but one clear standout is the Atacama desert on the Pacific coast of Chile, a barren, lunar landscape — and supposedly the driest desert on earth. Follow the Atacama north into Peru and you can catch a glimpse of giant, mysterious animal drawings etched into the plains by the indigenous Nazca people thousands of years ago.

### *NATIONAL LAMPOON'S VACATION*

**Monument Valley, Utah**

While Monument Valley is easily one of the most recognizable locations in film history — hosting everything from John Wayne's 1939 Stagecoach to a Metallica video to the most recent season of Doctor Who — it is also iconic as the spot where the Griswold's long-suffering

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station wagon finally gives up and breaks down in the first Vacation film. Hopefully you'll have better luck while checking out one of the best vistas in the U.S.

### *STAR WARS*

**Tunisia**

Traveling to a galaxy far, far away is actually just as easy as heading across the northern African nation of Tunisia, which is now seeing tourists and cruise ships return after a lull brought on by the country's revolution in January. Filming scenes for five out of the six Star Wars films in the country had such an impact on George Lucas that the name of Luke Skywalker's desert-filled home planet,

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Tatooine, was inspired by the country's southernmost territory, Tataouine. Tours of locations used in the films are available, but you'll have to bring your own light saber. Good luck getting that through airport security.

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- New exhibit at Seattle's Experience Music Project gives movie fans a chance to visit Pandora
- 40 artifacts from the movie are on display
- Interactive features let visitors take direction from James Cameron

# Visit the world of Avatar in Seattle

A music and popular culture museum in Seattle is banking on fans of the Oscar-winning film Avatar to take in a new exhibit on how director James Cameron brought Pandora and its inhabitants to the big screen.

The exhibit at the Experience Music Project and Science Fiction Museum and Hall of Fame opened Saturday after a Friday event featuring Cameron, some of the movie actors and Richie Baneham, who won the Academy Award for best visual effects.

The goal is to educate and entertain, but not go so deeply into the Avatar world that it resembles an amusement park, museum associate curator Brooks Peck said. It will be the first of its kind to showcase artwork and props from the blockbuster film.

The exhibit at the museum — built by Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen — should also appeal to people interested in the science and technology behind movie making and set design. Anyone who heads straight to the interactive displays when they visit a museum may be surprised by how much of a taste they will get of how the movie and the world of Pandora were created.

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▶ Brooks Peck, an associate curator at the Experience Music Project, gets ready for the big crowds for the exhibit on the movie Avatar.

Visitors can try a virtual camera, like the one Cameron used, to see how the motion capture filming of the actors fit in with the virtual world created on computers. The gadget was created especially for the exhibit, which took more than a year to develop, Peck said. Another interactive allows visitors to take the place of an actor from the film using motion capture technology. Cameron "directs" the guest actor in a scene and afterward they can watch themselves and their avatar on a video screen and post a copy on YouTube.

**If you go ...**

**Avatar the Exhibition:** Opened June 4 at EMP at Seattle Center, 325 5th Ave. N., Seattle, empmuseum.org/index.asp or 206-770-2700. Open daily, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. General admission, $18.

The main part of the exhibit experiences night and day with the lighting cycling back and forth about every 20 minutes. Tendril-like light tubes hang from the ceiling and change colours as the time switches.

The 40 artifacts on display from the film — which is a combination of live action and animation — include the skeletal robot weapon or "Amplified Mobility Platform" used as a weapon in the film and the motion-capture suit worn for filming by one of the actors. The robot is only four metres tall in real life, but everything in the movie is larger than human scale and the exhibit illustrates this fact with a giant backpack and some giant shoes just waiting for a giggling four-year-old to try on.

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▶ The Experience Music Project in Seattle has a new exhibit on the movie Avatar. The exhibit features props and costumes, as well as hands-on exploration of the creative process used to build the world of the science fiction film.

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▶ A figure of Jake Sully's avatar character from the movie Avatar is shown on display at the Experience Music Project in Seattle.

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▶ The main room of an exhibit from the movie Avatar.

The exhibit is populated with the original sketches and models of the Na'vi people and creatures that guided the animators, from models of the heads of the main characters to intricate, feather-and-bead covered headpieces and necklaces,

Some of the art is used as a basis for two other interactive modules: a create-your-own Pandora plant station and a large touch-screen library of hundreds of drawings and short films.

One of the coolest parts of the exhibit is located before the entrance: a large screen showing what appears to be a film of the Na'vi forest, but when visitors step closer, they'll be able to interact with the playful "woodsprites" floating around. Peck said he hopes this screen will keep people entertained if they have to wait to get into the exhibit.

A few steps back from the exhibit, clips from the movie will loop on the EMPs giant screens along with clips from other science fiction flicks.

The exhibit is expected to travel to other museums in the United States and Canada — the EMP is in talks with museums in Canada, Chicago and the East Coast — but not until it finishes its run in Seattle in late 2012.

Cameron brought the idea for the exhibit directly to Allen a few years ago and asked if he wanted to work together to bring the world of Pandora to the public, EMP spokeswoman Anita Woo said. The exhibit was created in partnership with Twentieth Century Fox and Cameron's Lightstorm Entertainment and Woo said Cameron was involved throughout development.

The museum won't have timed entries or an extra charge to see the Avatar exhibit. Visitors will have access to all the museum's exhibits including a recently opened retrospective on Nirvana and Seattle's grunge music scene. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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# The Dubliner's Dublin

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The best thing about living in Dublin is the people. It's more like a village than a city — if you head into town you're liable to bump into half a dozen acquaintances and if you want to meet up with someone you don't have schedule it days in advance. The sea breeze and the ever-changing weather give it a bustling, vigorous quality. And there is a robust cheerfulness that remains despite the much-vaunted woes of the economic downturn.

## First time?

Go to Merrion Square and see the birthplace of Oscar Wilde in the heart of Georgian Dublin, then take in our greatest landscape painter Paul Henry in the National Gallery across the road (www.nationalgallery.ie). Wander round the corner to the National Museum of Ireland to see Celtic gold torcs and unsettling, perfectly preserved 2000 yr old bogmen (www.museum.ie). Then have a pint and a toasted sandwich in Kehoe's on South Anne St. (louisfitzgerald.com/kehoes)

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▶ National Gallery

## Been there before?

Head south on the Dart line to Sandycove and wander along the coast. On a good day it feels like the Mediterranean. The view of Dublin bay is fantastic. If you really want to experience it properly take a dip in 'the forty foot' diving spot. There is a hardcore of Dubliners who bathe here all the year round, even on Christmas Day (and they will always tell you that it's as warm as soup as they come out).

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▶ Sandycove

This is utterly unfathomable to most visitors, but the effect of a freezing cold dip is electric! Follow it with a nip of whisky. While you're out there check out the Martello Tower, where the first scene of Ulysses is set. There is now a James Joyce museum there.

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▶ Dublin's main shopping street, Grafton Street

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The shops around Grafton St are the best. Brown Thomas sells all the top-of-the-range stuff (brownthomas.com), Genius around the corner if you're a young and trendy male (or still trying to be young and trendy!) (genius.ie). For food shopping the best place is Fallon and Byrne on Exchequer St. it's a really stylish upmarket deli selling all sorts of delicious delicacies from all over (fallonandbyrne.com)

▶ Fallon and Byrne

## Go out

The Stag's Head is my favourite pub in Dublin. It's a great traditional pub with a long marble bar and excellent barmen. It's packed most nights of the week with people from all walks of life, and the narrow cobbled street outside is a great place to strike up conversation, or throw an impromptu street party (louisfitzgerald.com/stagshead). Directly across the road is Sweeneys, another of my favourite haunts. It has a DJ most nights, live reggae and jazz downstairs and another band upstairs (www.sweeneysdublin.com). For a quieter pint, Neary's on Chatham St is elegant and comfortable.

▶ Shelbourne Hotel

## Stay in

I've always wanted to stay at the Shelbourne Hotel on Stephen's Green. This is a Dublin landmark—featured like so much of the City —in Joyce's "Dubliners."

It's old-school grand and houses another great pub, the Horseshoe bar (marriott.co.uk).

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# Musical festival on the high seas

**Seven-day cruise is a music geek's Garden of Eden**

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▶ The Cayamo Cruise 2011 aboard the Norwegian Pearl cruise ship. Cayamo is an annual music festival at sea.

Cayamo concerts are different in several ways. They start on time. They last only an hour. And the speakers hanging from the ceiling tend to sway.

Sometimes the musicians do, too.

"Usually I go where I want on stage," John Prine said. "But here I go where the ship takes me."

Cayamo is an annual music festival at sea featuring performers of Prine's ilk — singer-songwriters with acoustic guitars and devoted fans. There are bands, too, and amplifiers, and all of the attractions that go with any other Caribbean trip. That means sunshine, shore excursions, a laid-back vibe and too much food.

Mostly the 2,000 passengers come for music. That was the case in February during Cayamo 2011 aboard the Norwegian Pearl. It was a seven-day excursion — six days of concerts and one day listening to musicians tune. Or so it seemed.

Main attractions included Prine, Brandi Carlile, the Indigo Girls, Steve Earle, Patty Griffin, Richard Thompson, Loudon Wainwright III and Buddy Miller. But one of the delights was discovering lesser-known acts such as Scott Miller, Chuck Cannon and Roddie Romero and the Hub City All-Stars.

A partial lineup for February 2012 includes Prine, Thompson, Wainwright, Lyle Lovett, John Hiatt and Keb' Mo'.

Acts perform in half a dozen cosy venues, the largest seating about 800 people. During the February trip, shows began in the afternoon, and music continued into the wee hours each night.

One jam session in the atrium lasted until 2 a.m. and involved more than a dozen musicians from five bands.

For the many music geeks on board, it was like being a spectator at a golf or tennis tournament. You'd study the schedule at the beginning of day and plan where you wanted to be when, who you were willing to miss and who you absolutely had to see.

Prices for the February cruise start at $1,235 per person for double occupancy interior cabins, so Jazz Fest or Bonnaroo would indeed be cheaper.

But Cayamo has comfy chairs and no Port-O-Lets, and you're always within walking distance of the swimming pool, a dining room and your bed.

"It's an experience that can't be replicated on land," said Carolyn Spencer Brown, editor of CruiseCritic.com.

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## If you go ...

- **Cayamo Cruise.** Seven-day cruise from Miami on the Norwegian Pearl to the Caribbean, Feb. 5-12. All cabins have been booked but a waiting list is available for rooms that open up due to cancellations. cayamo.com Other niche and genre music cruises listed under "Events" at sixthman.net.

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# Escaping to Northern Thailand

**The south might be popular with sun seekers and clubbers, but there's much to see in the north of Thailand Explore jungles, villages and temples in this authentic rural area**

AMANDA HYDE
METRO WORLD NEWS

When you think of Thailand, you tend to think of endless white beaches, paradise islands or hedonistic nightclubs, but this country has another side — the jungly, adventurous north.

Once a wild and lawless region, inhabited by drug barons and CIA agents, the province of Chiang Rai has had nearly two decades of sleepy peace, thanks to the efforts of the late Princess Mother, who educated the locals about growing other crops as an alternative to opium.

It's now opening up to tourism, and a slow stream of holidaymakers is replacing the intrepid backpackers who used to be the only people brave enough to visit.

At the very edge of the country, where Thailand, Myanmar and Laos converge in the swirling brown waters of the Mae Khong River, Chaing Rai is the perfect place to get to know what rural Thai life is like.

Spend a few days exploring the bottle green, undulating landscape — home to Akha and Yao hilltribes, as well as a couple of rescue centres for elephants shipped in from the streets of Bangkok (book excursions with Akha Hill House; 00 66 88 9997 5505; from $39 per person).

Then make for the sleepy village of Chiang Saen: it's a charming introduction to everyday Thai life. See the frogs and chickens on sale in the market, ask a teenage boatman to row you along the border, and admire the gigantic Buddha that looks serenely over the water from its perch on the shore.

It's hard to believe now, but this city was once the capital of the powerful Lanna Kingdom. You can pay your respects in the ancient temple, Wat Chedi Luang, on the outskirts of town.

## 3 THINGS TO TRY OUT IN NORTHERN THAILAND

### EAT
**Sabun-nga**

- For a quick intro to northern Thai food (spicy pork curries), try the cafeteria in the hostel Sabun-nga in Chiang Rai city, which ticks off every regional speciality in its vast buffet (SangKhongNoi Soi 6; no phone; buffet $7).

### SHOP
**Markets**

- Chiang Rai isn't overrun with shops like touristy Chiang Mai to the west, but its Night Bazaar (between the bus station and Phaholyothin Road) is a compact, characterful place to pick up bedspreads and embroidery made by the hilltribes.

### STAY
**Golden Triangle Resort**

- Right on the Mae Khong, with lush gardens, spacious rooms and great views over the water, the four-star Imperial Golden Triangle Resort in Chiang Saen is a bargain compared with similar hotels in the area (from $55; imperialhotels.com).

## Quick tips

- Learn about the region's grizzly past at the Hall of Opium, just outside Chiang Saen. This surprisingly balanced portrayal of the drugs trade includes both opium den recreations and a wall of famous people who became addicted to the drug (00 66 53 784060; $10).
- You can cross the border into Myanmar on a tour of the Golden Triangle — but don't forget to take your passport.
- There are limited international flights to Chiang Rai airport. It's easier to get a flight to Bangkok and pick up a low-cost flight from there: Air Asia (airasia.com) and Thai Air (thaiair.com) both run flights, from around $36 each way.

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# A taste of Vietnam

**For the best of Vietnamese cuisine, steer clear of the tourist trap restaurants and eat on the street like the locals Sublime seafood is found in Phu Quoc in the country's far south**

NICK ROSS
METRO WORLD NEWS

When holiday-makers head to Vietnam, travel companies pump them full of deep-fried spring rolls. Let's get this straight: Spring rolls are crunchy, melt-in-the-mouth and taste great. But contrary to popular folklore they are certainly not the country's national cuisine.

Except for pho, which is eaten nationally, Vietnam has no other dish that comes even close to such ubiquity. Overall, the flavours here are vibrant — spring onion, lime juice, lemongrass, coriander, garlic, ginger, fish sauces and chilli. Vietnamese cuisine also mixes textures — so, for example, you may get one dish which is at once crispy and yet soft, Bun cha is a good example, as the meat, noodles and fresh herbs all have different textures.

However, like the landscape and biodiversity in Vietnam, the cuisine in every region, city or town is different.

Take Phu Quoc, for example, the paradise-like island in the far south. Here the ca trich (herring) is so good and fresh that it is eaten raw soaked in lemon juice. In fact, such is the quality of the seafood here that you can forget the beaches, diving and fishing trips and just indulge in the cuisine.

Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) is devilish on the waistline, the Vietnamese having an obsession with sweet fatty meats and fish. But the real gems here are Saigonese versions of dishes from the former imperial capital, Hue. The Saigonese have taken this fare, given it a local twist and made it taste even better. To get a real dose of that heady mix of central and southern cuisine head to Hoa Tuc.

The street food capital is Hanoi. No matter how grim the weather, everyone crams onto tiny stools in the streets, supping on great noodle soups, deep-fried snacks, rolled wet rice paper and more. In the evenings they take to the raucous, huge open-plan drinking and eating joints (quan nhau) and down glass after glass of bia hoi (smoked beer), before delving into a cooked-to-be-shared hotpot.

**GO FROM BORED TO BOARD.**

NICK ROSS/THE WORD MAGAZINE

▶ A glimpse of Vietnam's superb street food.

## Quick tips

### EAT

- Vietnam's most delicious food is eaten on the street. If you want the real thing without playing dare with your digestive system, in Hanoi hit restaurants like Nha Hang Ngon or Highway 4, famous for serving authentic classics in up-market settings. In Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon), check out Cuc Gach Quan, Temple Club or Hoa Tuc.

### STAY

- In Hanoi it has to be the Metropole, one of Indochina's oldest, most famous hotels (sofitel.com). In Saigon the Continental Hotel is king. Featured in Graham Greene's classic novel, The Quiet American, it still has the aura of a more glamorous and tempestuous past (continental-hotel.com.vn).

### TRAVELLING

- Be adventurous. It's easy to follow the crowd and do Saigon to Hanoi up the coast, or vice-versa. Find a translator and head to the Mekong Delta, Central Highlands or Ha Giang in the north.

# 3 DISHES TO TRY IN VIETNAM

### PHO

- Pronounce it "fur" and point at chicken or beef — the latter is often added rare and cooks itself in the complex, tasty broth. Add lime, chili and sweet bread.

### BUN CHA

- This typically Hanoian lunch dish is perfect for summer, made of a sweet fish sauce broth, vermicelli, fragrant herbs and small flame-grilled pork burgers.

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### CHA CA LA VONG

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The sound of the water lapping at the sides of your houseboat sums up a typical holiday experience in Kerala. Gentle and natural, relaxing and rhythmic, it's a perfect reflection of this most soothing state in southwest India.

Everything about Kerala is relaxing. It boasts temples and natural beauty, and it's one of India's most progressive states with high literacy and life expectancy and low child mortality rates. Kerala places great emphasis on being in-tune with your surroundings, so its tourism is eco-friendly too.

Drifting through the backwaters is a great place to start. The houseboats that visitors stay on are based on the region's traditional kettuvallam boats, and are made of local materials including bamboo, coconut and cashew resin. Taking a houseboat journey along Kerala's gorgeous backwaters is an increasingly popular way of exploring the region.

The state is a major centre for Ayurveda, the traditional system of medicine that evolved in India 2,600 years ago, based on five universal elements and seven properties of the human body. The practice involves oils and massages that work wonders on mind and body. Ayurvedic centres check how your energies are balanced and adjust your treatments and diet according to how your body needs to be restored to equilibrium.

There's yoga too — the region's yoga tourism has developed in tandem with other wellbeing choices.

But while the focus is on chilling out, the locals also know how to let their hair down. Kerala has 11 spectacular elephant pageants a year, not to mention 50 temple festivals and many other Christian and Hindu celebrations.

## Quick tips

### STAY

- Try The Tea Bungalow, a classic 100-year-old restored building in Cochin. A double costs $107 per night (teabungalow.in).

### BUY

- Craftsmen in many Kerala towns trace their artistry back to the architect of the gods, Vishwakarma. Seek out cast metal and pottery items as well as eco-friendly ornaments made from coconut husks and shells.

### EAT

- Try local specialties including alleppey fish curry or chicken Kerala-style with spices, chillies, eggs and mashed potato.

# Brown rice for any time

## These recipes showcase how to use the grain in snacks, appetizers, mains

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These brown rice bars are packed with dried fruits, nuts and seeds and bound together with wholesome brown rice and natural nut butter. They're portable, convenient and, best of all, provide the energy you need to keep up with your busy schedule. These bars can also be prepared as cookies.

### Preparation:

1. Preheat oven to 190 C (375 F). In a large bowl, beat butters and sugar until light and well combined. Beat in egg and vanilla.
2. In a bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder and cinnamon. Stir into butter mixture until well combined. Fold in rice, coconut and trail mix.
3. Spread mixture into a parchment-lined 33-by-23-cm (13-by-9-inch) baking dish. Bake in the centre of oven until golden and set, 25 to 30 minutes. Let cool before slicing into bars with a serrated knife.
4. Store in an airtight container for up to 3 days or wrap and freeze for up to 1 month.

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### Ingredients:

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) butter, softened
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) pure nut butter (peanut, cashew, almond) with no additional ingredients
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) vanilla
- 250 ml (1 cup) brown rice flour
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) gluten-free baking powder
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon
- 500 ml (2 cups) cooked brown rice
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) coconut
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## Fiesta Layered Salad

### Preparation:

1. Cook rice according to package directions. Spread evenly on a baking sheet to cool; fluff with a fork.
2. In a bowl, whisk garlic with lime juice, cumin, salt, pepper, honey and hot sauce. Whisking constantly, gradually pour in oil to combine. Stir a spoonful of the dressing with the avocado. Set aside remaining dressing.
3. In a straight-sided glass bowl or trifle dish, layer red pepper, avocado, black beans, rice, corn, tomato, green onion, cheese and cilantro.
4. Drizzle with remaining dressing just before serving.

### Ingredients:

- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) long-grain brown rice
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) lime juice
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) ground cumin
- 4 ml (3/4 tsp) each salt and pepper
- 5 ml (1 tsp) each honey and hot pepper sauce
- 75 ml (1/3 cup) oil
- 1 avocado, peeled and cubed
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) chopped red pepper
- 250 ml (1 cup) canned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) each corn kernels and chopped tomato
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) chopped green onion
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) shredded cheddar cheese
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) chopped cilantro

## These Brown Rice Cuban Burgers are a healthy option for your next backyard barbecue They're easy to make

▶ Brown rice burgers are low in fat and high in fibre.

A meatless option for backyard entertaining, these convenient, healthy burgers are flavourful and made with ingredients from all food groups.

### Preparation:

1. In saucepan, bring broth and rice to boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low, cover and cook until all liquid absorbed, about 40 minutes. Let cool
2. In skillet, heat 15 ml (1 tbsp) of oil over medium-high heat. Cook red onion until tender. Stir in pepper and mushrooms and cook until tender. Stir in garlic, cumin, coriander, salt and red pepper flakes and cook 1 min.
3. Scrape onion mix into food processor. Add breadcrumbs, cooked rice, beans, feta and egg. Pulse to combine.
4. Using wet hands, form into 125-ml (1/2-cup) patties. In skillet over medium-low heat, cook in batches using 15 ml (1 tbsp) of oil at a time until golden brown, 6 mins per side. Serve on buns with pickle slices.

### Ingredients:

- 500 ml (2 cups) vegetable broth
- 250 ml (1 cup) long-grain brown rice
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) safflower oil
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) each finely diced red onion, red pepper, mushrooms
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 5 ml (1 tsp) each ground cumin and coriander
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) each coarse salt and red pepper flakes
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) gluten-free seasoned breadcrumbs
- 250 ml (1 cup) canned black beans (drained and rinsed)
- 60 g (2 oz) crumbled feta
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- Dill pickle slices (garnish)

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# CLEAN AIR DAY

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# Simple choices make BIG CHANGES

**It's Clean Air Day — try something different Here are Metro's ideas to help you reduce your environmental impact**

CHRIS EDWARDS
FOR METRO

Breathe easy — it's what you do when you know the future's bright.

Back in 1998, representatives from five environmental non-governmental organizations weren't feeling so confident.

They took their concerns to then-federal Minister of the Environment, Christine Stewart, who in turn began informal consultations with other groups, other provinces, and municipalities.

Eventually, Stewart and her fellow cabinet ministers agreed that a 'clean air day,' encouraging environmental awareness, was what Canadians needed most.

Clean Air Day was officially launched on June 2, 1999 and takes place today during Environment Week.

Clean Air Day's goal is to educate the public and urge action on two key environmental priorities: clean air and climate. How this gets done varies from place to place, but a core part of every initiative is this: any action, no matter how small, even from a single person, can be part of the solution.

"Clean Air Day is a great time to increase awareness about air pollution and commit to activities that reduce our impact on the environment," says Henry Lau, a spokesperson for Environment Canada. "Actions that reduce air pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions can be part of every Canadian's daily life — they can have far-reaching impacts on air quality, human health and biodiversity and reduce the effects of climate change."

## Little things

That gives you a lot of options, even if you're a busy commuter in the middle of a long summer workweek.

Why not start by unplugging your coffee maker after the brew's poured? Then close the windows and blinds as you leave the house — reducing the need for air-conditioning when you come home. Carpool to work. Store your lunch in a reusable container and bring your own mug for coffee or tea. If you work at an office, don't forget to turn off your computer when your day is done.

These are just a few of the ways you can adjust your lifestyle to help make a difference for everyone. Each is easy to keep up year-round, turning daily decisions into long-term change — another one of Clean Air Day's principles.

If you want to participate in Clean Air Day activities near you, or contribute your own ideas for meeting Clean Air Day's goals, its organizers are listening. "We encourage Canadians to communicate with each other and exchange ideas about Clean Air Day," says Lau. "They can do it through our Canadian Environment Week Facebook event page, or by contacting us on Twitter, via @environmentca."

Clean Air Day's a reminder that the personal is powerful. Today, you can prove it again.

# Going beyond the bike

## Ways to change your daily routine, your environment

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▶ Plant a tree.

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FOR METRO

Clean Air Day's all about what you can do to make air quality and climate priorities in your life.

In fact, you probably already have some ideas.

Maybe you'll celebrate by biking to work — or car pooling, if that's more reasonable.

You might turn off the water while you brush your teeth; have a bath instead of a shower; collect organic waste for composting; buy a reusable shopping bag, or choose to buy nothing at all and make it a weekly event.

The habits you start today can last a lifetime.

But environmentalism isn't just about changing behaviour, it's about finding solutions to problems; being curious about new ways to do things; being creative; even having fun. If biking to work is a Clean Air Day favourite, maybe it's time to try something new?

### Suggestions

**Here are a few ideas — some a bit far out, but all possible — and all based on Environment Canada's actual list:**

- **Trash-free** Have a trash-free barbecue, inviting guests to bring their own utensils. Try using Frisbees as plates — you can work off the dinner with a game or two when you're done.
- **Lose the mothballs** Use cedar chips instead of mothballs. Mothballs contain potentially harmful chemicals, and let's face it: they stink.
- **Natural air-con** Plant trees to shade your house. Saves air-conditioning costs in summer, looks great, hides the neighbours.
- **Sell it, don't toss it** Hold a yard or garage sale to sell unwanted items instead of throwing them away. (Have some Frisbees on-hand too: five cents for a burger, or 10 cents if you want to throw your plate behind the house).
- **Swap** Organize a clothing swap. Purge your closet of unwanted clothes and exchange them with friends and family. This is a great way to freshen up your look — or find a Halloween costume. If it is Halloween, tell your neighbours about your costume swap in advance.

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# Taking a chance on the new kid

## STUDENT VOICE

CAROLYN MANN
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I just finished my third year of a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at the University of British Columbia Okanagan.

I live in a small city and find it difficult to find meaningful work experience. I don't know how many times I've heard, "You don't have enough experience," and wanted to scream back, "Well how do you think I am going to get the experience?"

I hope employers will eventually realize how ridiculous this is.

When employers do hire interns and students, though, they should include them in their teams for the long-run.

Nothing is more frustrating than putting in long hours and good ideas, and your employer refuses to see you as a long-term member of the team.

I understand that interns cannot always be long-term employees. However, employers should recognize that every new hire has the potential for long-term employment if they prove they're valuable.

Students and recent grads have a different view of the world and bring completely different ideas to the table. Allow them to be a part of your team, and you'll surely benefit.

**Where Carolyn is now**

I work at a small, non-profit organization that allows me to learn a variety of skills, from marketing to accounting. When I applied, they looked beyond my relevant work experience and saw the value in my extra-curricular and volunteer activities.

**What I learned**

**Key take-aways from Carolyn's experience:**

- Even if you're only there for a summer, show your employer that you are a valuable part of the team by asking for more work, helping other employees with their work, and going above and beyond your boss' expectations on a regular basis.
- Keep your options open by applying to opportunities in a variety of fields – you never know who you will meet or what you'll accomplish. Don't limit yourself to your degree title.

My recommendation for a similar situation is to gain the most experience out of the job, no matter the work environment.

Summer internships are short, but you will always be able to leverage the experience you gained for permanent jobs in the future.

When I was searching for a summer positions last summer, I applied to everything! Even though I didn't meet all the requirements posted, I explained my ambition and desire to learn, and explained how I could be a valuable addition to the team.

It can never hurt to apply, and eventually there will be some hiring manager out there who will see value beyond any lack of experience.

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▶ Carolyn Mann thinks that a person's willingness to learn should be considered just as carefully as their former work experience.

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# Summertime and the nine-to-five ain't easy

**Yes the birds are singing and you're stuck at your cubicle, but why not bring some of the sunshine inside?**

It's summer and eerily quiet in the office. Your cubicle neighbour took off to the cottage and is sure to return relaxed and a full shade darker while you remain the same—pasty and kind of sickly looking. You stare wistfully out the window and wish you could be out enjoying the sun. To keep motivated this summer when you're cooped up indoors, here are some helpful tips:

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▶ Aching to spend some time in the great outdoors? Ask if to work a little earlier and leave a littler earlier so you can soak up some of the remaining rays.

**Colourful clothing**
Now is the time to bust out your pinks, yellows, and brilliant blues. How you dress can determine how you feel and heighten your mood. Just be sure to stick with your company's dress code and be tasteful (a.k.a. no flip flops or shorts).

**Brighten someone's day**
Bake cookies for your fellow sunshine-deprived colleagues. It will be the perfect pick-me-up for long afternoons and may even start a trend of sharing homemade goodies around the office for the summer.

You can also make someone smile overseas. By sponsoring a child with a charity like Christian Children's Fund of Canada (ccfcanada.ca), you can show a child in need that you care.

**Ask for flexible hours.**
See if your employer will let you come in to work earlier so you can leave earlier and enjoy the summer weather. Or ask to work longer hours during the week so you can have Friday afternoons off.

**Get out there.**
Pick a parking spot further away from the front doors so you'll spend more time walking outside. At lunch, go out with colleagues or picnic on the grass. Try to schedule meetings outside or at a nearby park if possible.

**Be thankful.**
Though it's no fun to be staring at a computer when it seems that everyone is out soaking up the sun, remember that the job market is tough and being employed is worth celebrating.

Besides, you can save up your vacation days and enjoy time off during non-peak seasons—meaning less crowds and even better, less cost.

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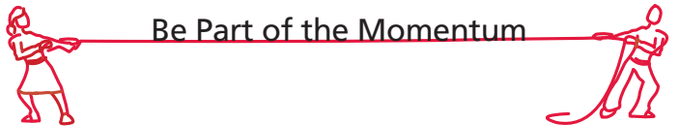


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# Horton, Rome both gone for remainder of final

## Bruins forward out with 'severe concussion' Canucks blue-liner who hit him gets 4-game suspension

There can be no justice when two men lose the chance to take part in the Stanley Cup.

Nathan Horton won't have the opportunity to score another big goal for the Boston Bruins after being hospitalized with a concussion. Aaron Rome, who delivered the hit that put him there, won't play another minute for the Vancouver Canucks this season after receiving a suspension four times longer than any previously handed out in the championship series.

Even the NHL, desperate to take a stand on dangerous hits, doesn't win when it comes down hard on a player at the most important time of year.

"I take it very seriously, very seriously," said league vice-president Mike Murphy, who is handling discipline for the final. "Guys play all their lives to get to this series on both teams, and you might never get back. So I take it very seriously. I do not make light of this.

"I wish I wasn't sitting here. I wish Aaron was playing, and I wish Nathan was playing."

Instead, an emotional series rife with bad blood will play on without them. The league went further than simply handing Rome a record-setting four-game suspension yesterday for his dangerous hit on Horton in Game 3 — Murphy also issued a warning to both teams that any player caught taunting an opponent will be given a two-minute unsportsmanlike penalty and 10-minute misconduct.

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**It will be no easy feat for the Bruins to carry on without Horton. He had eight goals and 17 points in 21 games in this year's playoffs.**

"We've addressed it with the teams as early as this morning, and I will be speaking with both general managers and coaches before the day is over about the crap that we're seeing and the garbage that's going on and some of the issues," said Murphy.

The Canucks were in a somewhat ornery mood despite holding a 2-1 series lead heading into Game 4 at TD Garden tonight.

"We totally disagree (with the suspension)," said Daniel Sedin. "We support Rome. He's a hard-working guy. He has no intention to hurt anyone out there."

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▶ Canucks defenceman Aaron Rome delivers his controversial hit on Bruins right-winger Nathan Horton Monday. Rome was suspended yesterday four games for the hit.

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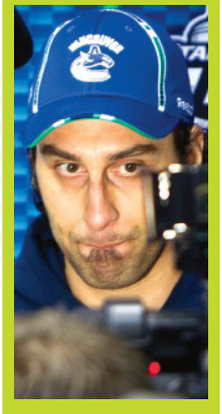

**"I waited my whole life to be here. I'm not going to put my head down. It's time to get back to work. Obviously, last night was disappointing for all of us."**

CANUCKS GOALIE ROBERTO LUONGO

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▶ The Mavericks' Tyson Chandler, centre, battles for a rebound with the Heat's Dwyane Wade, left, and Chris Bosh last night.

# Ailing Dirk pushes Mavs to even finals

## Dallas finally gets some secondary scoring to help big German Nowitzki

Dirk Nowitzki and the Dallas Mavericks have pulled off another stunning comeback, tying the NBA final at two games each.

And this time, Nowitzki did it while battling the flu.

Nowitzki shook off three poor quarters to score 10 of his 21 points in the final period as the Mavericks outscored the Miami Heat 21-9 over the final 10:12 for an 86-83 victory in Game 4 last night.

The Mavs avoided going down 3-1, a deficit no team has ever overcome in the final, and guaranteed the series will return to Miami for a Game 6 on Sunday night.

"We just played with incredible heart and passion," Dallas centre Tyson Chandler said.

Dwyane Wade scored 32 points, but fumbled an inbounds pass with 6.7 seconds left. He knocked the ball back to Mike Miller for a potential tying three-pointer, but it wasn't even close to hitting the rim.

Chris Bosh scored 24 points for Miami, but the Heat got a stunningly unproductive game from their biggest star, LeBron James. He scored only eight points, making just three of 11 shots. He contributed nine rebounds and seven assists, but his lack of scoring sticks out in the loss.

Nowitzki opened the game looking just fine, making his first three shots. But then he missed 10 of 11, and missed a free throw for the first time since Game 4 of the conference finals. By then, word spread of his illness.

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With the game — and likely the series — on the line, Nowitzki found a way to come through. He made only two of six shots, but that included a terrific layup with 14.4 seconds left.

Hey, if he could win Game 2 with a left-handed layup two days after tearing a tendon in the tip of his middle finger, what's a little temperature?

"We all seen him go through walkthroughs," Chandler said. "Every time he started to talk he started coughing. He was wheezing."

The Heat were up 74-65 early in the fourth quarter, but Jason Terry made consecutive baskets, and the surge was on. Terry ended up capping it with two free throws with 6.7 seconds left. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Injury will keep Tiger out of U.S. Open

Tiger Woods pulled out of the U.S. Open yesterday because of lingering issues with his left leg, leaving him uncertain how soon he can resume his pursuit of Jack Nicklaus's record for major titles.

It will be the first time Woods has missed the U.S. Open since 1994, when he had just graduated high school.

"I am extremely disappointed that I won't be playing in the U.S. Open, but it's time for me to listen to my doctors and focus on the future," Woods said on his website. "I was hopeful that I could play, but if I did, I risk further damage to my left leg. My knee and Achilles tendon are not fully healed."

Woods said he hoped to be ready for the AT&T National, which starts June 30 at Aronomink, and the next two majors. Then again, he said two weeks ago he would do everything possible to be ready for the U.S. Open, which is far more significant.

"We're very disappointed that he won't be playing in the National Open," USGA executive director Mike Davis said, whom Woods called yesterday morning. "He certainly brings excitement to the event. He'll be missed, but the U.S. Open will go on. The event is bigger than one player, but he certainly will be missed."

The U.S. Open starts June 16 at Congressional, where Woods won the AT&T National two years ago and tied for 19th when the U.S. Open was last played there in 1997.

Woods was replaced by Michael Whitehead, a senior at Rice who was first alternate from the Dallas qualifier. Whitehead had to win a playoff just to get out of the first stage of 18-hole qualifying, and was stunned to get the news.

"They said on the phone that Tiger has withdrawn from the Open," Whitehead said. "So thanks, Tiger. I guess I'm glad he was listening to his doctors." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Jays will need to spend to land pick

Just how wide the Toronto Blue Jays open their wallet will go a long way toward whether or not they can sign Tyler Beede.

The Jays selected the right-handed pitcher 21st overall in Major League Baseball's amateur draft Monday.

Beede, who has already committed to play for Vanderbilt University, said on a conference call yesterday that money will be a big factor in whether or not he joins Toronto.

"It really comes down to, you know, the money, and if we can work things out that way then I'm sure we'll be all set," he said.

The six-foot-four, 200-pound pitcher said he and his family had a few conversations with Toronto scouts before the draft but that talks had slowed.

"We knew it was a possibility that we would go with them at 21 and that they would pick me," said Beede. "But when they said my name it was a pretty much a shock because we really didn't hear about it prior to the pick, but we were very excited."

The Blue Jays have every reason to believe they made the right selection.

A well-rounded athlete, Beede has three pitches that include an effective curveball.

To land Beede, Toronto will likely have to go above MLB slot signing recommendations. It's a move general manager Alex Anthopoulos made several times last year in landing a slew of pitching prospects. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Jays win in Kansas City

**Adam Lind and J.P. Arencibia each hit two-run homers to lead the Toronto Blue Jays to an 8-5 victory over the Kansas City Royals last night.**

▶ Jays rookie right-hander Kyle Drabek (4-4) laboured through 5 ⅓ innings for the victory. He gave up five runs on nine hits, three walks and four wild pitches.

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**First Period**
No Scoring.
**Penalties** — Rome Vcr (interference major, game misconduct) 5:07, McQuaid Bos (delay of game) 11:41.
**Second Period**
1. Boston, Ference 3 (Peverley, Krejci) 0:11
2. Boston, Recchi 4 (Ryder, Ference) 4:22 (pp)
3. Boston, Marchand 7, 11:30 (sh)
4. Boston, Krejci 11 (Ryder, Chara) 15:47
**Penalties** — Tambellini Vcr (hooking) 2:42, Ference Bos (tripping) 6:22, Lucic Bos (slashing) 10:30, Boychuk Bos (double high-sticking) 17:36.
**Third Period**
5. Boston, Paille 3 (Boychuk) 11:38 (sh)
6. Vancouver, Hansen 3 (Torres, Lapierre) 13:53
7. Boston, Recchi 5 (Marchand, Bergeron) 17:39
8. Boston, Kelly 5 (Paille, Chara) 18:06
9. Boston, Ryder 6 (Kaberle) 19:29 (pp)
**Penalties** — Ryder Bos (roughing) 2:50, Burrows Vcr, Chara Bos (unsportsmanlike conduct) 3:33, D.Sedin Vcr, Ference Bos (misconduct) 6:59, Thornton Bos (roughing, misconduct) 7:58, Kesler Vcr (boarding) 9:11, Kesler Vcr, Seidenberg Bos (fighting, misconduct), Burrows Vcr (slashing, misconduct), Lucic Bos (slashing, roughing) 11:16, Bieksa Vcr, Ference Bos (misconduct) 17:51, Torres Vcr (charging) 18:53.

**Shots**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Vancouver | 12 | 16 | 13 | 41 |
| Boston | 7 | 14 | 17 | 38 |

**Goal** — Vancouver: Luongo (L,14-7-0); Boston: Thomas (W,13-8-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Vancouver: 0-8; Boston: 2-4.
**Attendance** — 17,565 (17,565).

### SCORING LEADERS

| | G | A | PT |
|---|---|---|---|
| H.Sedin, Vcr | 2 | 19 | 21 |
| Krejci, Bos | 11 | 9 | 20 |
| St. Louis, TB | 10 | 10 | 20 |
| Kesler, Vcr | 7 | 12 | 19 |
| Lecavalier, TB | 6 | 13 | 19 |
| D.Sedin, Vcr | 9 | 9 | 18 |
| Burrows, Vcr | 9 | 8 | 17 |
| Horton, Bos | 8 | 9 | 17 |
| Purcell, TB | 6 | 11 | 17 |
| P.Bergeron, Bos | 4 | 13 | 17 |
| J.Thornton, SJ | 3 | 14 | 17 |
| Boyle, SJ | 4 | 12 | 16 |
| Clowe, SJ | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| Datsyuk, Det | 4 | 11 | 15 |
| Couture, SJ | 7 | 7 | 14 |

# HOCKEY

## AHL PLAYOFFS

**All times Eastern**

### CALDER CUP FINAL

**(Best-of-7 series)**
**HOUSTON VS. BINGHAMTON**
**(Binghampton leads series 3-2)**
**Last night's result**
Binghamton at Houston
**Thursday's game**
x-Binghamton at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
**x — if necessary.**

# NBA

## FINALS

**All times Eastern**
**(Best-of-7 series)**
**MIAMI VS. DALLAS**
**(Miami leads series 2-1)**
**Last night's result**
Miami at Dallas
**Tomorrow's game**
Miami at Dallas, 9 p.m.
**Sunday's game**
x-Dallas at Miami, 8 p.m.
**Tuesday, June 14**
x - Dallas at Miami, 9 p.m.
x - played only if necessary.

### LEADERS

**SCORING AVERAGE**

| | G | FG | FT | PTS | AVG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Durant, OKC | 17 | 155 | 140 | 487 | 28.6 |
| Nowitzki, DAL | 18 | 168 | 154 | 511 | 28.4 |
| Rose, CHI | 16 | 149 | 111 | 434 | 27.1 |
| Howard, ORL | 6 | 51 | 60 | 162 | 27.0 |
| Anthony, NYK | 4 | 33 | 29 | 104 | 26.0 |
| James, MIA | 18 | 154 | 115 | 451 | 25.1 |
| Wade, MIA | 18 | 156 | 118 | 443 | 24.6 |
| Westbrook, OKC | 17 | 135 | 121 | 405 | 23.8 |
| Bryant, LAL | 10 | 83 | 50 | 228 | 22.8 |
| Randolph, MEM | 13 | 100 | 87 | 289 | 22.2 |
| Paul, NOR | 6 | 42 | 39 | 132 | 22.0 |

**FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE**

| | FG | FGA | PCT |
|---|---|---|---|
| Howard, ORL | 51 | 81 | .630 |
| Brand, PHL | 34 | 62 | .548 |
| Paul, NOR | 42 | 77 | .545 |
| Bynum, LAL | 57 | 105 | .543 |
| Allen, BOS | 57 | 109 | .523 |
| Gasol, MEM | 72 | 141 | .511 |
| Nowitzki, DAL | 168 | 332 | .506 |

**3-POINT FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE**

| | 3FG | 3FGA | PCT |
|---|---|---|---|
| Turner, PHL | 4 | 5 | .800 |
| Collison, IND | 4 | 6 | .667 |
| Allen, BOS | 32 | 56 | .571 |
| Nowitzki, DAL | 21 | 40 | .525 |
| Holiday, PHL | 11 | 21 | .524 |
| Harrington, DEN | 5 | 10 | .500 |
| Q. Richardson, ORL | 5 | 10 | .500 |
| Paul, NOR | 9 | 19 | .474 |
| Gallinari, DEN | 7 | 15 | .467 |

**Not including last night's game**

# RUBGY

### 2011 CHURCHILL CUP

**Tonight's game**
**At Moseley, England**
U.S. vs. Tonga, 12:30 p.m.
**Canada** vs. Russia, 3 p.m.
**Sunday, June 12**
**At Gloucester, England**
Tonga vs. England, 9:30 a.m.
Russia vs. Italy, 12 noon

# MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## LATE MONDAY

### ROYALS 3, BLUE JAYS 2 (11 INN.)

| Toronto | ab | r | h | bi | Kansas City | ab | r | h | bi |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| YEscor ss | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | AGordn lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| CPttrsn lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | MeCarr cf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Bautist rf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Hosmer 1b | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Lind dh | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Francr rf | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| JRiver 1b | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | Butler dh | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Arencii c | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Aviles 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| A.Hill 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Getz 2b | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| RDavis cf | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Treanr c | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| J.Nix 3b | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | Maier ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Encrnc ph | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | B.Pena c | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| McCoy pr-3b | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | AEscor ss | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Totals** | **38** | **2** | **5** | **2** | **Totals** | **39** | **3** | **7** | **3** |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Toronto** | 000 | 100 | 100 | **00—2** |
| **Kansas City** | 000 | 100 | 100 | **01—3** |

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Y.Escobar (6), Aviles (8), A.Escobar (5). DP—Kansas City 2. LOB—Toronto 9, Kansas City 13. 3B—Aviles (3). SB—C.Patterson (8), A.Hill (8), Me.Cabrera (7), Aviles (10). S—A.Escobar.

| | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Toronto** | | | | | | |
| Morrow | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 |
| Camp H,5 | 2-3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Rzepczynski BS,2-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Dotel | 1 1-3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Janssen | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Frasor | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| F.Francisco L,1-3 | 2-3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| **Kansas City** | | | | | | |
| F.Paulino | 6 2-3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| G.Holland | 2-3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Crow | 1 2-3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Soria W,4-3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

T—3:44. A—12,194 (37,903) at Kansas City, Mo.

# ACTIVITY

## MLB

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Released INF Wes Hodges.

## EASTERN LEAGUE

READING PHILLIES—Announced LHP Les Walrond was assigned to the team from Lehigh Valley (IL).

## NORTH AMERICAN LEAGUE

SAN ANGELO COLTS — Signed INF Eddie Browne and LHP Cory Patton.

## NBA

NEW ORLEANS HORNETS—Announced the resignation of assistant coach Mike Malone to become an assistant coach with Golden State.

## CFL

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed DB Andre Jones.

## NHL

LEAGUE OFFICE—Suspended Vancouver D Aaron Rome four games for his blindside hit on Boston F Nathan Horton during Monday's game.
CAROLINA HURRICANES—Named Rod Brind'Amour and Dave Lewis assistant coaches, Ron Francis director of hockey operations and Tom Rowe pro scout.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

**EAST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 33 | 24 | .579 | — |
| Boston | 33 | 26 | .559 | 1 |
| Tampa Bay | 31 | 29 | .517 | 3½ |
| Toronto | 30 | 30 | .500 | 4½ |
| Baltimore | 28 | 31 | .475 | 6 |

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cleveland | 34 | 25 | .576 | — |
| Detroit | 32 | 27 | .542 | 2 |
| Chicago | 29 | 33 | .468 | 6½ |
| Kansas City | 26 | 34 | .433 | 8½ |
| Minnesota | 22 | 38 | .367 | 12½ |

**WEST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Texas | 34 | 27 | .557 | — |
| Seattle | 31 | 29 | .517 | 2½ |
| Los Angeles | 30 | 32 | .484 | 4½ |
| Oakland | 27 | 35 | .435 | 7½ |

**Last night's results**
Boston at N.Y. Yankees
Cleveland 1 Minnesota 0
Baltimore 4 Oakland 0
Detroit at Texas
Seattle at Chicago White Sox
Toronto at Kansas City
Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels
**Monday's results**
Minnesota 6 Cleveland 4
Baltimore 4 Oakland 2
Detroit 13 Texas 7
Chicago White Sox 3 Seattle 1
Kansas City 3 Toronto 2 (11 inn.)
Tampa Bay 5 L.A. Angels 1
**Today's games**
Minnesota (Pavano 3-5) at Cleveland (Masterson 5-4), 12:05 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 2-1) at N.Y. Yankees (A.J.Burnett 6-3), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Outman 1-0) at Baltimore (Britton 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Coke 1-5) at Texas (Ogando 6-0), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Vargas 4-3) at Chicago White Sox (Floyd 6-5), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Villanueva 3-0) at Kansas City (Duffy 0-1), 8:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Shields 5-4) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 7-4), 10:05 p.m.

### LEAGUE LEADERS

| | G | AB | R | H | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joyce TB | 57 | 187 | 36 | 65 | .348 |
| Bautista Tor | 52 | 185 | 47 | 64 | .346 |
| AdGonzalez Bos | 59 | 245 | 38 | 83 | .339 |
| Ortiz Bos | 57 | 212 | 34 | 69 | .325 |
| JhPeralta Det | 52 | 183 | 24 | 58 | .317 |
| MiCabrera Det | 59 | 206 | 44 | 65 | .316 |
| Konerko CWS | 59 | 220 | 28 | 69 | .314 |
| MiYoung Tex | 60 | 237 | 25 | 74 | .312 |
| Moreland Tex | 55 | 180 | 29 | 56 | .311 |
| Kubel Min | 52 | 200 | 20 | 62 | .310 |

**RBI** - AdGonzalez, Boston, 50; Konerko, Chicago, 46; MiCabrera, Detroit, 44; Beltre, Texas, 43; ACabrera, Cleveland, 42; Bautista, Toronto, 41; Granderson, New York, 41; Teixeira, New York, 41.
**PITCHING** - Lester, Boston, 7-2; Scherzer, Detroit, 7-2; Hellickson, Tampa Bay, 7-3; Tomlin, Cleveland, 7-3; Sabathia, New York, 7-3; Arrieta, Baltimore, 7-3; Weaver, Los Angeles, 7-4; Price, Tampa Bay, 7-5.
**Not including last night's games**

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

**EAST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | 36 | 25 | .590 | — |
| Atlanta | 33 | 28 | .541 | 3 |
| Florida | 31 | 28 | .525 | 4 |
| New York | 28 | 31 | .475 | 7 |
| Washington | 26 | 34 | .433 | 9½ |

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| St. Louis | 36 | 25 | .590 | — |
| Milwaukee | 34 | 26 | .567 | 1½ |
| Cincinnati | 32 | 30 | .516 | 4½ |
| Pittsburgh | 29 | 30 | .492 | 6 |
| Chicago | 23 | 36 | .390 | 12 |
| Houston | 23 | 37 | .383 | 12½ |

**WEST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| San Francisco | 34 | 26 | .567 | — |
| Arizona | 33 | 28 | .541 | 1½ |
| Colorado | 28 | 31 | .475 | 5½ |
| Los Angeles | 29 | 33 | .468 | 6 |
| San Diego | 27 | 34 | .443 | 7½ |

**Last night's results**
Pittsburgh 8 Arizona 5
L.A. Dodgers 6 Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 1 Florida 0
Cincinnati 8 Chicago Cubs 2
St. Louis at Houston
N.Y. Mets at Milwaukee
Colorado at San Diego
Washington at San Francisco
**Monday's results**
Philadelphia 3 L.A. Dodgers 1
Cincinnati 8 Chicago Cubs 2
Milwaukee 7 Florida 2
Colorado 3 San Diego 0
San Francisco 5 Washington 4 (13 inn.)
**Today's games**
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 4-5) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 4-5), 12:35 p.m.
Washington (Maya 0-1) at San Francisco (Cain 4-4), 3:45 p.m.
Colorado (Cook 0-0) at San Diego (Moseley 2-6), 6:35 p.m.
Arizona (Duke 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Maholm 2-7), 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kuroda 5-6) at Philadelphia (Hamels 7-2), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (D.Lowe 3-4) at Florida (Nolasco 4-1), 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis (J.Garcia 6-1) at Houston (Norris 3-4), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 3-4) at Milwaukee (Wolf 4-4), 8:10 p.m.

### LEAGUE LEADERS

| | G | AB | R | H | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| JosReyes NYM | 56 | 243 | 41 | 82 | .337 |
| Votto Cin | 60 | 217 | 42 | 73 | .336 |
| Berkman StL | 51 | 167 | 35 | 55 | .329 |
| Ethier LAD | 60 | 213 | 28 | 69 | .324 |
| YMolina StL | 53 | 184 | 20 | 59 | .321 |
| Wallace Hou | 59 | 191 | 24 | 61 | .319 |
| Polanco Phi | 59 | 235 | 29 | 75 | .319 |
| Kemp LAD | 61 | 224 | 38 | 71 | .317 |
| GSanchez Fla | 58 | 225 | 32 | 71 | .316 |
| Pence Hou | 60 | 248 | 27 | 77 | .310 |

**RBI**-Fielder, Milwaukee, 49; Kemp, Los Angeles, 48; Howard, Philadelphia, 47; Bruce, Cincinnati, 46; Pence, Houston, 44; Braun, Milwaukee, 43; Berkman, St. Louis, 40.
**PITCHING**-Gallardo, Milwaukee, 8-2; Halladay, Philadelphia, 8-3; Correia, Pittsburgh, 8-4; Hamels, Philadelphia, 7-2; Jurrjens, Atlanta, 7-2; Lohse, St. Louis, 7-2; 12 tied at 6.
**Not including last night's games**

# SOCCER

## MLS

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | 12 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 15 | 10 | 21 |
| New York | 12 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 17 | 10 | 18 |
| D.C. United | 12 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 16 | 20 | 16 |
| Columbus | 12 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 14 | 15 |
| Houston | 14 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 17 | 17 | 15 |
| New England | 13 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 16 | 13 |
| Toronto | 14 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 13 | 23 | 13 |
| Chicago | 12 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 15 | 19 | 10 |
| Kansas City | 10 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 12 | 19 | 6 |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Los Angeles | 16 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 20 | 12 | 30 |
| Dallas | 14 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 17 | 12 | 25 |
| Seattle | 15 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 16 | 13 | 21 |
| Real Salt Lake | 10 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 4 | 20 |
| Colorado | 13 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 14 | 12 | 18 |
| Portland | 12 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 15 | 18 | 17 |
| Chivas USA | 13 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 16 | 14 | 17 |
| San Jose | 11 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 14 | 13 | 13 |
| Vancouver | 14 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 14 | 20 | 10 |

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.
**Tonight's game**
Real Salt Lake at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
**Tomorrow's game**
Chicago at Kansas City, 10 p.m.
**Friday's game**
New England at New York, 8:30 p.m.
**Saturday's games**
Real Salt Lake at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
San Jose at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Portland, 10:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.
Toronto at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
**Sunday's games**
Chicago at Columbus, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at Dallas, 7 p.m.

## 2011 CONCACAF GOLD CUP

**All Times ET**
**Group A**

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Costa Rica | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| Mexico | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| Cuba | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| El Salvador | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

**Group B**

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jamaica | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 |
| Honduras | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Guatemala | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Grenada | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |

**Group C**

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| United States | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| Panama | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Guadeloupe | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| **Canada** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **1** | **0** | **2** | **0** |

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.
**Last night's results**
**At Detroit**
Panama 3 Guadeloupe 2
United States 2 **Canada 0**
**Monday's results**
**At Carson, Calif.**
Jamaica 4 Grenada 0
Honduras 0 Guatemala 0
**Tomorrow's games**
**At Charlotte, N.C.**
Costa Rica vs. El Salvador, 7 p.m.
Cuba vs. Mexico, 9 p.m.
**Friday's games**
**At Miami**
Jamaica vs. Guatemala, 7 p.m.
Grenada vs. Honduras, 9 p.m.

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## All-wheel-drive

Regardless of transmission, all X1s come with BMW's patented xDrive permanent all-wheel-drive setup.

The system splits the torque equally between the front and rear wheels under normal driving conditions, but when necessary can shift 100 per cent of the torque to whichever axle is driving the tires with grip.

## Trim level options

To keep the starting price in low-$40,000 territory, base X1s will be on the stark side, devoid of leather seats, fancy interior/exterior trim and a number of mechanical/safety features.

On the extra-cost sheet is a panoramic glass roof, bigger wheels, heated leather seats, up-level audio/navigation system and a sport steering wheel with paddle shifters for automatic-transmission models. Also offered is an aero body kit that's part of the M sports package.

## Engine

Where the X1 makes a really radical departure from the X3 is under the hood.

The sole powerplant is an all-new 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder that puts out 241 horsepower and 258 pound-feet of torque. That's one horsepower more than the X3's base non-turbo 3.0-litre inline six, but crushes that engine's torque rating of 221 pound-feet. The X1 is also 180 kilograms lighter than the X3, which is good news for acceleration and fuel economy.

▶ The X1 shares its platform and all-wheel-drive architecture with the Mini Countryman, but the X1 is bigger and, of course, more expensive.

# The keys to this Bimmer won't kill your wallet

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If you've been loitering outside the local BMW dealership, palms and cheeks pressed to glass thinking that was as close as you were ever going to get to owning a shiny new Bimmer, it's time to come inside.

Yes, the X1 has just arrived as a highly efficient, cargo-friendly and perhaps most importantly, wallet-friendly family transporter that also packs standard all-wheel-drive, which of course is perfect for Canadian winters.

The popularity of the X1 is so great around the world right now that there are shortages that will delay the model's arrival in the U.S. market until late this year.

Somehow, Canadians lucked out.

While a close inspection and a test drive reveals a lot about the vehicle, the reason for its popularity actually requires nothing more than to understand that the X1 is now the least-expensive BMW wagon in the line at $40,500, slotted below the $43,900 X3.

It doesn't really look less expensive, though. In fact, the X1 looks a lot like the X3. A side-by-side inspection is really needed to reveal the X1's more car-like profile in addition to a slightly more elongated nose.

For buyers on a budget who are dead set on a BMW wagon, their wait is over. Now come inside.

▶ The X3 offers nearly double the cargo space of the X1, but at least you can fold the back seat forward to tote longer items.

▶ The dash is a bit plain, but nicely turned out in any event. Note that leather seats are optional, which should help keep the base price in the low-$40,000 range.

### BMW X1

**What you should know about the 2012 BMW X1 xDrive28i:**

- **Types:** Four-door, all-wheel-drive compact wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (241).
- **Transmission:** Six-speed manual; eight-speed automatic (opt.).
- **Market position:** The new X1, along with the existing X3, gives BMW two compact wagons. However, the slightly smaller X1's claim to fame will be its superior fuel economy and, perhaps surprisingly, better performance.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 9.2/6.4.

5 drive

### By comparison

**Acura RDX**
Base price: $42,400
Similar to X1 in size and output, but trails in fuel economy.

**Audi Q5**
Base price: $43,000
A4-based wagon offers standard turbo I4 plus optional 270-hp V6.

**Infiniti EX35**
Base price: $44,200
G37-based wagon features 297-hp V6. Low profile reduces cargo room.

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# WAITING IS THE SECOND HARDEST PART

## AUTO PILOT

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**Like anybody, I've experienced my share of miss-diagnosed car repairs and their subsequent misery.**

But they are not at the top of my list of repair shop turn-offs, because those are generally honest mistakes, made by people working on the sharp end of trying to right malfunctioning technology.

Reminds me of the sticker on my father's toolbox that read: "The man who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything."

No, topping my list of repair shop turn-offs is the waiting room.

Some shops and practically all new-car dealerships don't like you bugging the mechanics while they work — and who can blame them?

So you must sit in this weird "living room" type area somewhere in the shop.

But it's like a living room in an alternative universe, where you can't leave until someone in charge lets you leave, and you can't change the stations on the TV, even if it's ShamWow, Oprah, or General Hospital.

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▶ It's a good bet the reason this lady looks mad is because she's going to have to spend serious money at the repair shop.

If it's General Hospital, your aggravation is even exasperated, because, as a very irregular viewer you don't know any back-story, like why Dr. Lainey Winters is so currently peeved at Dr. Matt Hunter.

Actually I lied.

The one-channel waiting room is really just the runner-up on my list of repair shop turn-offs.

The one right at the top is irrational pricing for switching tires around.

This spring a dealership charged me $49 to take my snow tires off and put my summer tires on (the latter already on their own, dedicated rims).

But this same dealership charges only $19.95 for a tire rotation — essentially the same amount of work, and work that doesn't even need to be done by a licensed technician.

When I questioned the service advisor about this weirdness, she sympathized, but said her hands were tied. And this is not an uncommon pricing strategy among tire and repair shops.

The main reason I took the car to this dealership was to find out why the "Check Engine" light was on. I threw the summer tires in the car at the last minute, knowing they'd charge me a bit more than other places, but it would save me a trip.

The "Check Engine" part of the work order they did brilliantly. Got the car in quick. Explained everything they did. Charged not a cent over what they quoted.

But the prevailing feeling I had as I drove away was that they "got" me on the tire thing.

And that Dr. Matt Hunter is probably not a stand-up guy.

# Bridging the gap between gasoline and ethanol

## DRIVING FORCE

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Vehicles and their fuel have always been a chicken-and-egg proposal. Stations don't carry fuels that cars don't use, and drivers don't buy cars that need fuel they can't find.

One way to bridge the gap is with flexible-fuel vehicles, capable of running on gasoline, ethanol blends, or a combination of the two.

Several automakers offer flex-fuel engines that accept E85 — a blend of 85 per cent ethanol and 15 per cent gasoline. They work the same way as regular gasoline engines, but have special features to deal with E85's unique properties. Flex-fuel vehicles are usually identified by a badge and a yellow fuel filler cap.

"E85 is a little more corrosive than gasoline, so all the materials that fuel touches has to be designed for that corrosion," says Phil Petsinis, manager of government relations for General Motors of Canada.

"The other key factor is that ethanol has about a third less energy per litre than gasoline, so you have to flow more fuel to create the same amount of energy."

To handle corrosion, flex-fuel vehicles have fuel tanks, fuel lines, injectors and other components that can stand up to the fuel. These are usually made of steel with higher nickel content, Petsinis says.

Since ethanol burns slightly hotter, the valve seats in the engine are harder. A flex-fuel engine also uses higher-capacity fuel injectors and fuel pump to compensate for ethanol's lower energy density. These have to adjust the amount of fuel they pump depending on what's in the tank.

"Back in the 1990s and 2000s, we used an inline fuel sensor," Petsinis says.

"It put a micro-current through the fuel and could tell the resistance difference between gas and ethanol.

"These were expensive components. Today ... we've been able to eliminate that component. By understanding the exhaust emissions, we can interpret what that engine is 'seeing' by using other sensors that exist in the vehicle."

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# Your questions answered: Ford F-150

## From EcoBoost to towing capacity, writer Justin Pritchard answers questions about the 2011 Ford pickup truck

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The current F-150 in Ford showrooms isn't entirely new at a glance — though an exciting new engine has recently found its way under the hood.

Answering the call of shoppers after high-efficiency performance, the automaker has recently fitted the F-150 with a sophisticated new EcoBoost V6 engine as an alternative to a thirstier V8.

Truck fans everywhere have questions about the new F-150 EcoBoost, so your writer took your questions from Twitter, as well as in parking lots and traffic lights, and answered the most common.

**What is EcoBoost?**
EcoBoost is a new line of high-efficiency Ford engines that use turbocharging and direct-injection technology to deliver the performance of a bigger engine with the fuel consumption of a smaller one.

**Case in point?**
The F-150 EcoBoost uses a 3.5-litre, twin-turbo V6 in place of a larger V8 to deliver on-demand power and fantastic mileage.

**Is it powerful?**
Yes. The boosted six puts out 365 horsepower and 420 pounds feet of torque. That's more than even the F-150's new five-litre V8 — and peak torque is available from just 2,500 RPM, or about 2,000 RPM earlier than a comparable V8.

That translates to fantastic throttle response — as well as a machine that'll virtually tie even an F-150 with Ford's new 6.2-litre V8 in a drag race.

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▶ The 2011 Ford F-150

**Will it lay a patch?**
Yes. A big, dirty one, if you're so inclined.

**Can you hear the turbochargers?**
Very, very faintly. In fact, this EcoBoost engine is really quiet and smooth. If you like the sound effects and rumble of a V8, you won't find them here.

**How does it feel towing a sailboat?**
The massive low-end torque and six-speed automatic make towing a breeze.

On my watch, the tester pulled about 3,500 lbs of boat and trailer up and over hills effortlessly at 105 km/h, often without downshifting.

Towing capacity peaks at over 11,000 lbs — depending on the model you choose.

**Is it great on fuel?**
After about 2,000 kilometres of highway, city and trail driving, as well as a few hundred clicks of sailboat hauling over hilly terrain, my observed test-average landed at an impressive 13.9L/100km of regular fuel.

It's no Prius — but this torque beast towing-rig still managed to turn in mileage comparable to large, V6-powered family crossovers.

**How's this fancy turbo engine going to stack up when it's 10 years old?**
Ford stresses that they put their EcoBoost engine through hell and back to ensure it will perform for the long run.

They also worked with some of the industry's most recognized turbocharger suppliers to ensure durability standards were met.

**What F150 variants can I get the EcoBoost engine in?**
The EcoBoost V6 is available on the F-150's XL trim level and higher — with an entry model XL 4x2 EcoBoost Regular Cab coming in around $24,000.

The loaded Platinum tester came in at well beyond double that figure.

*Follow Justin Pritchard on Twitter @MR2pritch*

# Indy race is almost here

**Honda Indy Toronto.** Construction.

**Construction crews last week began work on the track for the 2011 Honda Indy Toronto, which is set for July 8-10. The track will be built using new infrastructure — the result of a major investment announced last year by the event's promoters, Green Savoree Toronto, in collaboration with FedDev Ontario. Construction of the track is scheduled to be completed on July 7.**

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▶ Construction crews lay down block and fencing at Exhibition Place last week, in what was the first step of a 39-day process that will see the grounds transformed into the Honda Indy Toronto street course.

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# Car shopping for teens?

## Here's a look at three new cars for new drivers, and what to look for

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▶ 2011 Volkswagen Jetta

Car accidents are the leading cause of death for teenagers. So when it comes time to buy a suitable car for a teen driver, it's important to choose the safest car that meets your budget.

"If you can find a good, safe vehicle, you may not be able to prevent them from talking on the phone or speeding or having other kids in the car," said Anne McCartt, senior vice-president for research at the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, which performs crash tests and issues vehicle safety ratings.

"But if something goes wrong, you can maximize the possibility that the kid will do well in a crash."

Although you may be tempted to wrap your kid in the safety of a mammoth SUV, mid-size sedans are actually the best cars for teens. That's because they're big enough to handle the impact of a crash but nimble enough to steer out of trouble.

"A great big car like the Crown Victoria is a potent machine in a straight line, but when you lose control it's a handful," said David Champion, the senior director of Consumer Reports' auto test division.

Champion recommends cars with the smallest, four-cylinder engines, so they're not too powerful.

Critical safety features include anti-lock brakes and electronic stability control, which applies the brakes to individual wheels if it senses the driver is swerving out of control.

### No all-wheel

▶ When shopping for teens, stick with front-wheel-drive. While many people prefer all-wheel-drive in snowy weather, it can give kids a false sense of security and encourage them to drive too fast in hazardous conditions.

Price is a factor, of course, especially since adding a teen to your auto insurance can easily cost several thousand dollars a year.

Here are three new mid-size cars, all under $23,000, that Champion recommends for teen drivers. All are Insurance Institute top safety picks for 2011, and all have estimated annual fuel costs of around $2,000, which is average for a mid-size car.

**VOLKSWAGEN JETTA**

The 2011 Jetta starts at $15,875, significantly less than most of its midsize competition.

Among its standard safety features is a crash response system that automatically unlocks the doors, cuts the flow of gas and turns on the hazard lights when it senses a crash. Although the Jetta is one of the Insurance Institute's top picks, it didn't earn the highest five-star rating from the government because of its lower scores in rollover and frontal crash tests.

**KIA OPTIMA**

The 2011 Optima starts at $21, 995. Among its standard safety features are two sets of side air bags: One comes down from the ceiling and covers the windows and one comes out of the front seats to protect the lower body.

It also includes Bluetooth technology, which lets drivers make hands-free phone calls.

**HYUNDAI SONATA**

The 2011 Hyundai Sonata, which went on sale in the spring of 2010, starts at $22, 649.

It has a brake assist system that automatically applies the full brakes if it senses emergency braking, and traction control, which helps drivers on slick or icy roads.

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# Odyssey minivan still a comfortable ride

**Check last-generation Odyssey for possible transmission and steering issues**

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▶ 2005 Honda Odyssey Touring

Competing with the Nissan Quests, Hyundai Entourages and, of course, the sales-leading Chrysler "Magic Wagons" of its era, Honda's last Odyssey was a five-door, seven-seat machine with V6 power, front-wheel drive and over 4,170 litres of maximum cargo space.

Available in numerous trim levels to suit a variety of budgets, more basic units were badged DX or LX, while higher-end EX, EX-L or Touring models were available.

Look for feature content like navigation, a sunroof, heated leather, fog lamps, Bluetooth, power sliding doors, satellite radio, automatic climate control and plenty more.

Power came from a proven 3.5-litre V6 engine with between 240 and 255 horsepower, depending on the year. A five-speed automatic was standard on all models.

### What's the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 2005 to 2010 Honda Odyssey.
- **Vehicle type:** Minivan.
- **Price:** $9,000 to $36,000.

**What Owners Like**

Most Odyssey owners report satisfaction with overall comfort, ride, handling, power output and even fuel mileage. Styling, spaciousness and the remote-activated sliding doors were also favourites.

**What Owners Dislike**

Common complaints of the Odyssey include higher-than-expected wind and road noise at speed, some low-budget interior trim and small arm rests for front-seat passengers. Some owners report a low front end, which could get crunched on curbs and steep driveways.

**Common Issues**

Start a test-drive with a full check of the power sliding doors (if equipped) and tailgate for proper operation. Power sliding doors should open fully and smoothly, and the tailgate should remain open without any help. If that's not the case, the gas struts could be in need of replacement.

Note that power sliding doors in virtually all minivans will eventually fail and require expensive repair. Skip them if possible.

Kill the radio and drive the Odyssey gently up to highway speeds, noting any hesitation or "shuddering" from the transmission in the process.

Many owners have noticed some form of vibration or "stuttering" from the transmission, and some have had torque converters or transmission mounts replaced as a fix.

If the transmission in the Odyssey you're considering makes any unwelcomed noises or vibrations, be sure to have it looked at by a Honda-trained mechanic.

Ensure the Odyssey's steering operates smoothly, easily and without any unwelcomed vibration or "pulling." Numerous owners have reported steering-related issues that could be caused by a failing or faulty power-steering pump.

**The Verdict**

Common last-generation Odyssey issues are well-documented and should be easy to detect and repair for any Honda mechanic.

Most shoppers agree that Odyssey's comfort levels, high-resale values and relative fuel efficiency should outweigh the potential issues.

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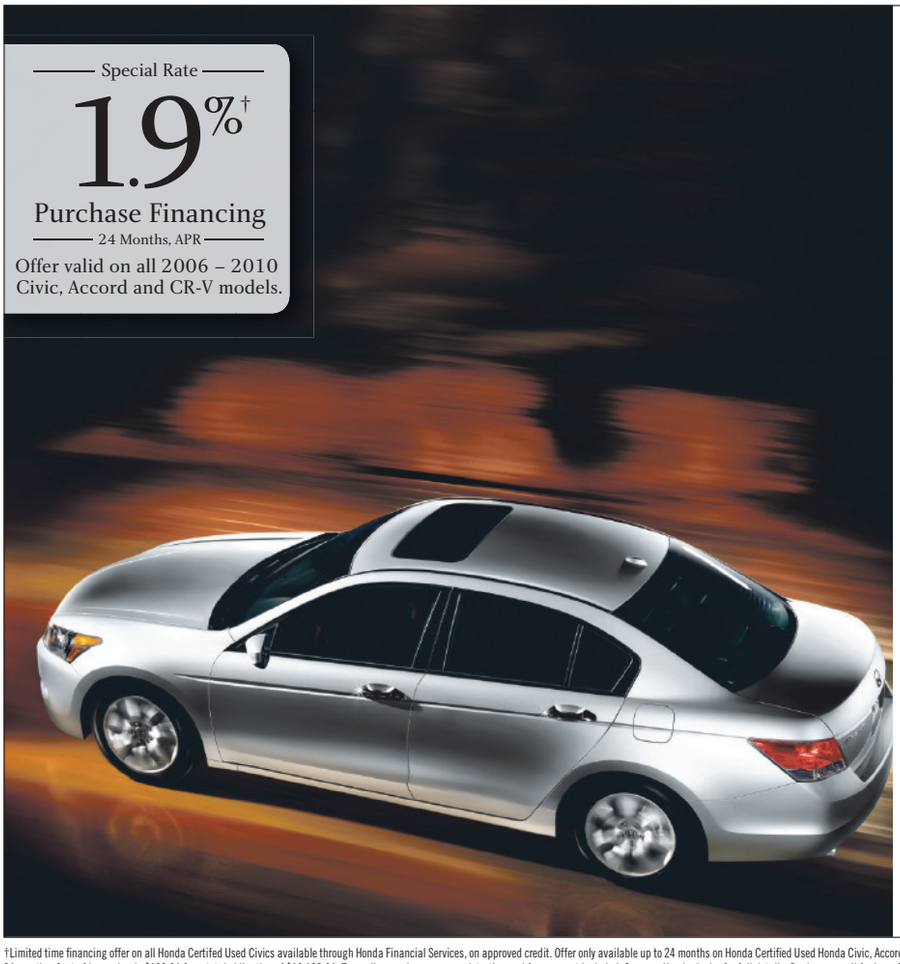


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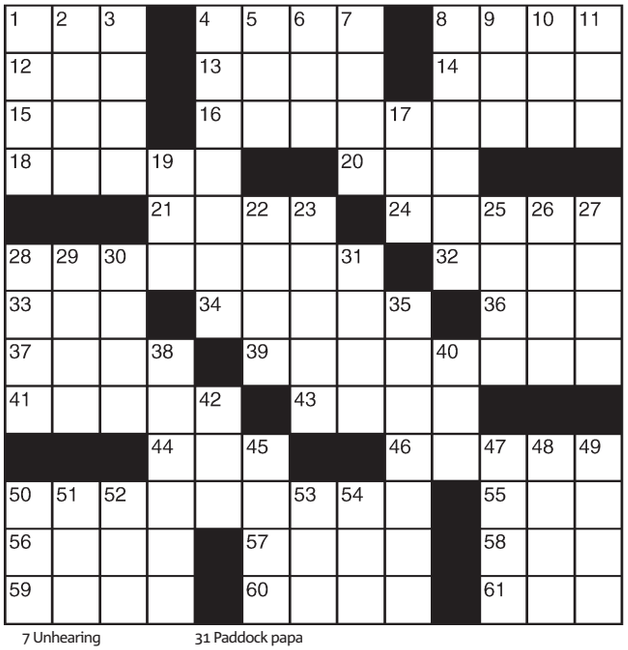

**Across**

1 Wood-shaping tool
4 Peruse
8 This and that
12 "Ostentatious? —?"
13 Canal city
14 Finished
15 Hostel
16 "No Place That Far" singer
18 Summarize
20 Calendar abbr.
21 Sci-fi knight
24 Grit one's teeth
28 Arabian nomads
32 Vocal comeback
33 Lawyers' org.
34 Dutch bloom
36 Cage component
37 Bigfoot's cousin
39 1984 Winter Olympics site
41 Word on the street?
43 Lived
44 Bankroll
46 Expiate
50 Minuet-like dances
55 Book spine abbr.
56 Gel in a Petri dish
57 Nevada city
58 Doctrine
59 Frog's hangout
60 List-ending abbr.
61 — Moines

**Down**

1 Eastern potentate (Var.)
2 Finished
3 Galvanizing material
4 Aretha classic
5 Historic time
6 Melody
7 Unhearing
8 Of cattle
9 Eggs
10 X rating?
11 Day divs.
17 Work unit
19 1977 Steely Dan album
22 — ex machina
23 Relative by marriage
25 Farm fraction
26 Con's weapon
27 Vagrant
28 Puts into words
29 First victim
30 — -tat-tat
31 Paddock papa
35 Sunshade
38 To the center
40 Lustrous black
42 Talk on and on
45 Challenge
47 "Metamorphoses" poet
48 Schnozz
49 "Desire Under the —"
50 Potential syrup
51 Past
52 Scooted
53 Trawler need
54 "CSI" evidence

▶ Yesterday's answer

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| F | O | O | L | | M | E | R | C | I | F | U | L | | |
| R | O | B | | P | U | R | E | E | | A | K | A | | |
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## Sudoku

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| 3 | 4 | | | | | | 1 | 5 |
| | | | 9 | | 4 | | | |
| 6 | | 7 | | | | 3 | | 8 |
| | | 9 | 5 | | 1 | 4 | | |
| | 3 | | | | | | 9 | |
| | | 4 | 7 | | 3 | 8 | | |
| 4 | | 6 | | | | 7 | | 9 |
| | | | 2 | | 8 | | | |
| 1 | 2 | | | | | | 8 | 3 |

## How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| 5 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 3 | 8 |
| 8 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 9 |
| 3 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 1 |
| 2 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 9 | 4 |
| 1 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 7 |
| 6 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 2 |
| 7 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| 4 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 5 |

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**♈ Aries March 21-April 20** If you want a relationship to get back to how it used to be, you must discuss the future — together.

**♉ Taurus April 21-May 21** You know that you have what it takes to reach the top but others may still need convincing.

**♊ Gemini May 22-June 21** Best way to win others over is to act as if their approval means nothing.

**♋ Cancer June 22-July 22** A family member will bring some unexpected news today. You will realize you should have seen it coming.

**♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23** If there is someone you have been neglecting, now you must get things back to how they used to be.

**♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22** Under no circumstances should you try to blame others for your failures.

**♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23** You need to convince people you live, work and do business with that you know what you are doing.

**♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22** The doubts and worries of the past few weeks will fade into nothing over the next 24 hours.

**♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21** You see clearer and further than most other people, so trust what your inner voice tells you.

**♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20** You will have to make a difficult choice concerning your work today.

**♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18** From today, you will have a clearer picture of what must be done to make life more enjoyable.

**♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20.** No matter how reticent a Pisces you may be, you must speak up if you need help. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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